



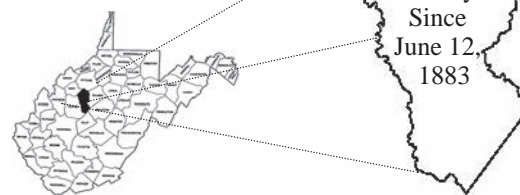
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Arnoldsburg, Pleasant Hill Receive Mental Health Services Grant

W.Va. Dept. of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Behavioral Health (BBH), has awarded grants to 19 schools to provide Expanded School Mental Health (ESMH) services.

The schools were selected through a competitive application process, and include Arnoldsburg Elementary School and Pleasant Hill School, which will be served by Minnie Hamilton Health System.

The awards bring the total number of schools receiving ESMH services to 93 schools in 30 West Virginia counties.

BBH provides grant funding for 75 ESMH sites and W.Va. Dept. of Education funds 18 sites through two Project AWARE (Advancing Wellness and Resiliency in Education) programs, with Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration grant funds.

ESMH is a multi-tiered system of support, where schools, families,

and strategic community partners work together to enhance student mental health in schools.

ESMH framework focuses on:

--Including the full continuum of prevention, early intervention, and mental health treatment;

--Serving all students;

--Building upon core programs/services provided by schools; and

--Emphasizing shared responsibility between schools, mental health providers, and community partners.

“We want every student to thrive,” said BBH commissioner Christina Mullins. “Expanded School Mental Health can improve the entire school culture for staff and students, while giving more intensive mental health support to students in need. BBH is proud to invest in supporting schools and students.”

Every school can support a student’s well-being through ESMH strategies.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday, April 20
COVID-19 booster shots available at Minnie Hamilton Health System, weekdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call 354-9704 to schedule.

Calhoun 11-and-under girls softball teams play each other at West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg, 6 p.m.

Thursday, April 21
CCHS baseball team hosts Clay County, 4:30 p.m.; softball, 5 p.m.

Calhoun County board of education will meet with Local School Improvement Council at Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center, 5 p.m.

Friday, April 22
Calhoun Historical Society’s History Center on Main St., Grantsville, open, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

iVotronics voting equipment test, courthouse little courtroom, 1 p.m.

Saturday, April 23
CCHS baseball and softball teams each host Tygarts Valley in double-header, noon.

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Mersh Discusses Manufacturing Wayne Underwood Property Returned To School Board

by Bill Bailey
At Thursday’s special meeting, the county commissioners approved on a 2-1 vote to transfer the Wayne Underwood property to the Calhoun board of education (information from minutes of the meeting are at the end of the following story).

The Calhoun county commission meeting on Tuesday morning began with public input regarding the application for a grant

for the purchase of a new cruiser for the Sheriff’s Dept.

There was discussion concerning upcoming grants from the state regarding the recent and upcoming settlements from drug companies for opioid distribution.

All of the discussion was positive and no objections were raised.

Crystal Mersh, on behalf of American Medicines Co., spoke of a re-

quest for information (RFI) from the commissioners.

She said that the company is a “for public benefit” company that was formed last year to bring American medicine manufacturing back onshore to supply the U.S., exclusively.

Mersh said that when they looked closely at the supply chain for the medications used here in America for the treatment of chronic diseases, such as diabetes, high blood pressure and cholesterol, only about two percent of these medications are manufactured in America.

They are made primarily in India or China. This not only is a major health risk, it costs jobs and is a national security risk.

Mersh, working with the Federal Drug Administration and state agencies in West Virginia, has proposed a collaborative working arrangement

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Could Benefit MHHS Give Local MOV Set Tuesday, May 3

According to Parkersburg Area Community Foundation (PACF) and its regional affiliates, you can multiply the impact of your gift to your favorite non-profits in the Little Kanawha area on Tuesday, May 3, for 24-hours.

Your donations through www.GiveLocalMOV.org

enable non-profits to earn significant matching funds and cash prizes.

Give Local MOV is powered by PACF, which provides the secure online giving platform, underwrites campaign costs, and provides education for its non-profit partners.

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Participating in State Leadership & Skills Conference from Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center were, left to right, Amber Hatfield, Jaiden Francis, Jacy Stehman, Ryan Beron, Jarrid Klapka, Matthew Siers, Zachary Brannon and Cody Blosser. See story and photos on Page 10.



Attending W.Va. Technology Student Association State Conference from Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center were, left to right, advisors, Jonathan McCormick, Virginia McCormick and Michael Jackson; students, Lexi Gregory, Daisy Snyder, Christian Wine, Pepper McCormick, Bryan Thomas, Riley Church and Taylor Jenkins; chaperone, Kris Phares; and advisors, Timothy Wine and Paul Parsons. See story and photos on Page 10.

OBITUARIES

CATHERINE 'Cat' HUPP

Catherine M. 'Cat' Hupp, 83, of Elizabeth, died Thursday, Apr. 14, 2022.

She was born in Grantsville, the daughter of the late Hazel Wilmoth and Willie Paul Riddle. She worked as a secretary at Edison Junior High, Wirt Inflatables, and Walmart. She was a member of Mineral Wells Church of Christ.

Surviving are one son, Christopher D. Hupp of Kansas City, Mo.; one daughter, Melissa M. Hupp Scott of Elizabeth; one granddaughter, Miranda McCroskey of Buckhannon; three sisters, Lois, Pansy and Janet; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 54 years, Billy D. Hupp; one daughter, Lora Ann Hupp; two sisters; and two brothers.

Services were held at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home, with Larry Wigal officiating. Burial was in Sunset Memory Gardens.

DONALD MORRIS

Donald C. Morris, 93, of Parkersburg, died Thursday, Apr. 14, 2022.



He was born in Chloe, the son of the late Earlie Morris and Maysel White Lowther Keith. He had been employed by the former Penn Metal Co. (Keene Corp.) of Vienna and retired from Vaughan Funeral Home after 17 years of service. He was a member of "Oldies 4-Wheelers Club" and the Baptist Temple, where he served as a deacon, trustee, Sunday School superintendent, and member of the choir.

Surviving are three daughters, Melody Ann Charlton, Gloria Sue Hersman and Margaret Ellen Bias; one son, Robert Alan Morris; six grandchildren, Kristy, Jonathan, Yettie, Joshua, Danielle and Candace; nine great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild on the way.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elizabeth Joan "Betty" Richards Morris, and one son, Donald W. "Bill" Morris.

Services were scheduled Wednesday, 11 a.m., at Vaughan Kimes Funeral Home, 521 Fifth St., Parkersburg, with Dr. Michael Stephens officiating, and burial in Pine Grove Cemetery, Berea. Visit vaughankimes.com to share a memory or message of sympathy with Don's family.

RUTH ANN WHITE STURM

Ruth Ann White Sturm, 75, of Parkersburg, died Friday, Apr. 15, 2022, at her residence.

She was born in Parkersburg, the daughter of the late Charles Ralph White and Garnet Geneva Dillinger. She was the former manager of the cafeteria at DuPont. She was a member of Edgelawn United Methodist Church.

Surviving are her husband of 30-plus years, John R. Sturm, Sr.; four children, Vicki Sue McMurray Adams of Fairborn, Ohio, Donna Jean McMurray McIntyre of Mineral Wells, Charles R. "Randy" McMurray of Parkersburg and Michael W. McMurray of Maumee, Ohio; two step-children, Jeffrey Scott Sturm of Parkersburg and John R. "Rusty" Sturm, Jr., of Ely, Nev.; eight grandchildren, Jessica Adams, Elizabeth Young, Davy Adams, Augustus Adams, Cara Ann McIntyre Houghton, Brian McMurray, Monica McMurray and Mathew McMurray; four step-grandchildren, Alex "Andy" Spaur, Noah Sturm, Mathew Sturm and Zack Sturm; 14-plus great-grandchildren; two sisters, Shelba Smith and Marilyn Sellers; one brother, John W. White of Mineral Wells; one sister-in-law, Debbie White of Mineral Wells; one brother-in-law, Dick Sturm of Ravenswood; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, William R. White and Michael E. White, both of Mineral Wells; one son-in-law, Rodney McIntyre of Mineral Wells; and one sister-in-law, Marie Cheesbrow of Grantsville.

Services were scheduled Wednesday, 11 a.m., at Lambert Tatman Funeral Home, Pike St., South Parkersburg, with Pastor Vera Archer officiating, and burial in Sunset Memory Gardens Cemetery. Visitation was scheduled Wednesday, 10 to 11 a.m., at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made to Edgelawn United Methodist Church, 4804 4th Ave., Parkersburg, WV 26101, or Amedisys Hospice. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.lamberttatman.com.

BARBARA JO CALIPETRO

Barbara Jo Calipetro, 75, of Oldsmar, Fla., died Thursday, Apr. 14, 2022.



She was the daughter of the late Victor and Georgia Smith and grew up in Cleveland, Ohio. She moved to Toledo, Ohio, in 1966, where she began her nursing career as an LPN. She became an RN in 1978 and earned a bachelor of science in nursing in 1988. She married Richard Calipetro in January 1991 and they moved to Orlando, Fla., in 1997. In recent years, she volunteered for Oldsmar Cares.

Surviving are one sister, Beverly Smith of Oldsmar; two children, Charles Muenger and wife Heidi of Oldsmar and JoAnn Lane and husband Troy of Colleyville, Tex.; three grandchildren, Drew Muenger, Madeline Lane and Katie Lane; and several relatives in Calhoun County, including an aunt, Delores "Boots" Richards of Big Springs.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard Calipetro.

Services will be held Sunday, 2 p.m., at Curlew Hills Memorial Gardens, Palm Harbor, Fla., with doors opening at 1 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Oldsmar Cares, P.O. Box 981, Oldsmar, FL 34677.

LETTER BOX

Calhoun County Commission
April 13, 2022

Re: Wayne Underwood Field
Dear Commissioners,

Very lately I have had numerous people ask me questions regarding my opinion as to the possible transfer of the Wayne Underwood Field. Specifically, I have been asked about the reversionary interest held by the Calhoun County Board of Education.

When construing the wording of a deed or similar document, the Grantor's intent is an important factor to consider. When I wrote the deed conveying the Wayne Underwood Field from the Calhoun County Board of Education to the Calhoun County Commission in August 2002, the clear intent of the Board of Education was that the property should automatically revert back to the Board of Education if the County Commission no longer desired ownership of the property for recreational purposes. You will notice I used the phrase "reverts automatically" to make that point clear when writing the deed.

Also, this position is indicative of the fact that an implied public trust is involved and that the County Commission has not lost sight of the fact that it is not dealing with just a parcel of real estate or even just a former athletic field, but rather "WAYNE UNDERWOOD FIELD," where so much early Calhoun County High School football history was made and upon which many great rivalry games were played.

I believe that a conveyance from the County Commission to the Board of Education is the best method to clear any cloud that would remain on the title of the property by way of the reversionary interest. What happens thereafter would not involve or concern the County Commission, as it would have no ownership interest in the property. I have also discussed this matter with the Prosecuting Attorney, and I was authorized by him to state that he agrees this is the best method as well.

I think we can all agree this is a much better way to handle this, rather than involve state government or federal government in local affairs.

Tony Morgan, Attorney at Law

Veterans Resource Fair

The 2022 Veterans Resource Fair will be held on Thursday, Apr. 28, 3 to 6 p.m., at 1500 Blizzard Dr., Parkersburg.

Sponsored by "We Have Your Six," activities will include: Get to know local veteran organizations, free dinner provided by Cedar Grove Assisted Living, free haircuts provided by Broadway Barber Shop, and prizes and giveaways.

Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

Oh how fickle the weather can be in Springtime. Flowers are blooming, trees are coming into leaf, and the snow is flying for perhaps the last time until winter returns in November.

Spring Fling, hosted and promoted by The 1982 Foundation, was held last Friday and Saturday at Calhoun County Community Center.

Folks came from miles around to shop at the vendor market, visit with friends and neighbors, and enjoy the festive atmosphere. The weather could not have been better, and Saturday evening capped the weekend's festivities with a "Follies" concert in the CM/HS auditorium.

It was given by former students who showcased the talent that they exhibited years ago that made them choir members.

There was something for everyone to enjoy during the weekend event: 5K run/walk, turkey shoot, breakfast, lunch and dinner, and vendors selling things you won't find elsewhere.

I am certain that the foundation will be helping to make Calhoun County a place to visit and move to with the family, which is something that not many small towns in West Virginia can attest to.

At a special meeting of the county commission on last Thursday evening, the commissioners returned the Underwood Field property to the board of education.

A board of education meeting scheduled Tuesday evening will most likely have a lively discussion of a further conveyance of the property to The 1982 Foundation.

We had a visitor to our hummingbird feeder over the weekend. Looking back at our event calendar from last year, it was on time for the first visit, right to the day.

We also saw the return, again to the day, of a yellow throated warbler. Jeanne saw our friends, the rose breasted grosbeaks, at the feeder last week.

I love watching all of our little feathered friends come to the feeders to eat their fill and argue with the other birds. We also get to witness romance, whenever one bird gets a sunflower seed in its beak so that they can pass it on to their mate.

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There is a cacophony of bird songs that starts every morning as the pre-dawn lights the eastern sky. You can hear each bird as it wakes up and celebrates another day of life in the holler with song.

As soon as it is full daylight, you would almost swear that you were listening in on an aviary at a zoo. I think that the main contributors to this concert are the goldfinches. They are very prolific, and also the purple finches.

We used to have only one or two of the purple finches down in the holler, but now there are way more than a dozen of them. Jeanne and I love to see them enjoying the fruits of our labor.

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The weather is forecast to warm up again before the weekend, so I am looking forward to seeing more trilliums and other wildflowers blooming all over the woodlands.

More hunters will also have more luck as soon as the weather settles into a warmer phase.

SPECIAL EVENTS

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Calhoun 11-and-under girls softball teams play doubleheaders at Bridgeport, 2 and 4 p.m.

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

Sunday, April 24

Family Night, Chapel Baptist Church, Nobe, 6 p.m.; special guest, Dusty Ellison of Awaken Recovery Outreach.

Monday, April 25

Calhoun 11-and-under girls softball teams play at Gilmer County, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, April 27

First day for early

voting in Primary Election; continues through May 7.

COVID-19 booster shots available at Minnie Hamilton Health System, weekdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call 354-9704 to schedule.

Friday, April 29

Calhoun Historical Society's History Center on Main St., Grantsville, open, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Saturday, April 30

Spring Poker Run, Creston Community Building; registration from 9 a.m. to noon,

Bingo, Calhoun County Park barn, 5 p.m.

Give Local MOV--

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Many supporters, led by Superior Toyota, Mary M. Welch Advised Fund, and Tri-State Roofing and Sheet Metal, supply the matching funds. Hourly cash prizes, sponsored by various local businesses, reward non-profits whose supporters contribute throughout the day.

A total of 63 participating non-profits are initially assigned a share of the matching funds; then, donors who contribute online May 3 will have their gifts matched 1:1 up to the allotted share.

Should any organizations not claim their full allocation of matching funds after the 24 hours, PACF will proportionately allocate the remaining funds among non-profits that exceeded their initial share.

The region's non-profits address many issues that affect local communities. According to a PACF spokesman, this is a once-

a-year opportunity to help them in a big way.

Participating from the Little Kanawha area are:

--Minnie Hamilton Health System, which is dedicated to improving the health quality of life of all people in the service area through an innovative delivery system of services and education.

--Little Kanawha Area Community Foundation works with charitable individuals, families, businesses, and civic or non-profit organizations to make a positive and permanent commitment for the future of Calhoun, Gilmer and Wirt counties.

Visit www.GiveLocalMOV.org to see the full list of sponsors and learn about participating non-profits. Return to the website on May 3 to make your online donation.

For details or to help sponsor the campaign, call development and communications officer Julie Posey, 428-4438.



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This Week In History

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

1922, 100 years ago

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Ayers have moved into their handsome new home on River Street.

Harold Kight, a prominent merchant of Big Springs, was here on Saturday for a business errand. One of his children is very ill.

Mrs. Stump Fetty, who recently underwent a serious operation in a Parkersburg hospital, is still in a rather grave condition at the home of her brother, Russell Keith, in Spencer.

Justice C.O. Rafferty of Withers was here on Thursday for a business mission. He reports the lawsuit business in his neck of the woods is flourishing, but says that it is the only business in that condition.

Work has resumed on the walls of the new Masonic Temple being erected at the corner of Main and Court streets. Considerable progress has been made and it is expected that the structure will be ready for its roof by the middle of June.

At a meeting of the town council held Monday of last week, a representative of Capt. H.E. Snyder of the State Road Commission, a Mr. Hathaway, was present. The matter of paving Main Street of Grantsville was taken up and discussed rather thoroughly, and certain pledges were made to the commission by the council. Since that time an agreement that four feet additional on each side of the paving from the bridge to Dr. Dye Alley and two feet additional from that point on to the Davis line would be laid by the abutting property owners, has been circulated and signed by most of the parties interested. It was the opinion of Hathaway that only the grading would be done this year, the surfacing to be deferred until next spring, when the grades and fills would be more firmly settled.

1947, 75 years ago

Coincident with the opening of the new two-million-dollar Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Bridge across the Great Kanawha River on May 10, the citizens of Pt. Pleasant will sponsor a "Middle Ohio Valley Progress" celebration designed to emphasize the industrial potential of this rich valley area.

Civic and industrial leaders from Pittsburgh, Wheeling, Parkersburg, Marietta, Huntington, Kenova, Charleston and other cities of the Ohio River Valley will be invited to the event.

The celebration will take the form of a day-long program, including a parade, a bridge-opening ceremony at which Gov. Clarence W. Meadows of West Virginia and R.B. White, president of Baltimore & Ohio, have been invited to speak; a barbecue; band concert, an old-fashioned fiddlers' contest, square dancing, an industrial exhibition, a model exhibition, tracing the development of railroad bridges and other events. Programs begin in the morning, continuing into the evening hours, and ending with a fireworks display. Most of the events will be held in and around Tu Endie Wei Park, located at the junction of the Ohio and Great Kanawha rivers.

The principal ceremony will be in the afternoon, when a gaily-decorated flat car carrying the official party will head a train of new freight cars northward across the bridge. The barbecue will be served between 1 and 3 p.m., and the hillbilly band contest will follow. Four hundred dollars in prizes are to be awarded to the contest winners and runners-up. More than 50 bands from West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, and other states are expected to participate.

In announcing plans for the celebration, the Pt. Pleasant committee called attention to the rich industrial resources of this part of the Ohio Valley, including its brine deposits for chemical industries, good rail transport, and abundant labor, water and power supplies.

These are now to be supplemented by the new railroad bridge across the Kanawha, taking the place of the earlier, light bridge that was erected in 1887, and making it possible now to move the heaviest rail traffic directly up and down the Ohio River valley, between the great industrial sections centering on Pittsburgh and Huntington.

1972, 50 years ago

The burglar alarm at Calhoun County Bank really works. It works so well that surrounding residents reported it quickly to bank officials after low voltage during an electrical storm caused the alarm to go off.

After calls went out to president F.F. McCoy and cashier Glen Fowler that the alarm was set off about 11 p.m. last Thursday night, several bank employees rushed to the scene, not knowing exactly what to expect. George Lambiotte arrived first, and he had brought along his wife, Local, for protection. Duane Poling arrived soon thereafter. No burglars were found, but the loud alarm was defused, and all went back home, happy that something other than a burglar had been the cause of the alarm.

Homeowners Rescue Program

Gov. Jim Justice has announced that the West Virginia Homeowners Rescue Program will provide assistance to state homeowners who have experienced a financial hardship related to COVID-19:

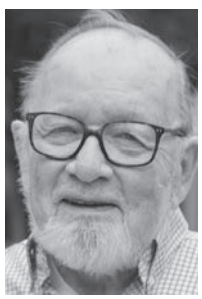
The program can provide assistance for past-due mortgage payments of up to \$15,000, past-due utilities of up to \$2,500, past-due insurance, property tax payments, and other housing costs of up to \$5,000, \$300 in internet assistance, and \$500 of assistance on certain down payment loans.

To be eligible, your income cannot exceed 150% of the area median income for the county where you reside. Your primary residence must be in West Virginia, and this can be a single family home, a condo, a townhouse, a mobile home, or a duplex.

To qualify, applicants must be able to demonstrate a COVID-related hardship, such as a decrease in your income, and/or an increase in expenses related to the pandemic. WVHDF is accepting online and paper applications. For information, visit wvhdf.com/west-virginia-homeowners-rescue.

CURIOSITY CORNER

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



Quiz time!

Here are some questions on the United States--the states and their geography. I'll start off with some easy ones and work up to some more difficult ones. See how you do! (Answers are given, but you might want to look on a map to check some out.)

Questions:

1. Which state is the only state that begins with the letter "P"?
2. Which are the smallest and largest states?
3. Which state has only one syllable in its name?
4. Which two states have state capitals with rhyming names?
5. Which one of the Great Lakes lies entirely within the U.S. border?
6. What is the official language of the U.S.?
7. Which states do not follow Daylight Saving Time (DST)?
8. Which state is bordered by six other states?
9. According to latitude and longitude, which state lies farthest . . .
 - a. North?
 - b. West?
 - c. East?
10. How many state capitals lie west of Los Angeles, Calif.?

Answers:

1. Pennsylvania
2. Rhode Island is the smallest at 1,545 square miles. Alaska is the largest at 663,268 square miles.
3. Maine
4. Austin (Texas) and Boston (Mass.)
5. Lake Michigan
6. The U.S. has no official language.
7. Arizona and Hawaii. Arizona is one of the hottest states in the U.S. and with especially hot summers, DST would mean the state would have an extra hour of sunlight during the day, making for higher temperatures. Note: the part of the Navajo Nation that lies within northeastern Arizona does go on DST. Parts of the Navajo Nation also lie in Utah and New Mexico, which go on DST, so the whole Nation goes on DST to have the same time. Hawaii doesn't need DST. With its tropical climate, the variation in daylight in the summer and the winter isn't that great.

8. Colorado is bordered by Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Utah, Wyoming and New Mexico.

9. (a) Alaska, (b) Alaska, (c) Alaska. The first two are pretty obvious, but technically (according to longitude), it's also the most eastward. The Aleutian Islands stretch across the 180° mark into the eastern hemisphere, and has a longitude of 172° 27' E. Juneau, the state capital, has a longitude of 134° 25' W. (Longitude is measured east and west of the prime meridian, 0°.)

10. You may not believe it, but there are six. Los Angeles' location is 34° 03' N, 118° 15' W.
 - Juneau, Alaska: 58° 18' N, 134° 25' W
 - Honolulu, Hawaii: 21° 19' N, 157° 50' W
 - Olympia, Washington: 47° 37' N, 122° 20' W
 - Salem, Oregon: 45° 31' N, 122° 41' W
 - Carson City, Nevada: 39° 32' N, 119° 49' W
 - Sacramento, California: 38° 33' N, 121° 28' W

C.P.S. (Curious Postscript): "If you think practicing what you preach is rough, try preaching what you practice." --Bowen Baxter.

Curious about something? Email your questions to Dr. Jerry Wilson at curiosity.corner@yahoo.com. Selected questions will appear in the Curiosity Corner.

6 New COVID Cases

Dept. of Health and Human Resources reported six new COVID cases for Calhoun County residents in the last seven days--four confirmed and two probable.

Calhoun now has 1,838 cases, with confirmed cases at 947 (the lowest in the state) and probable cases at 891. Thirteen county residents have reportedly died from the virus, also the lowest in West Virginia.

After Wirt County returned to green on Monday, all counties are once again in the lowest alert color.

The seven-county area had 22 new cases, the fourth week in the 20s, and the lowest since there were 13 cases reported from July 14-20. Cases in the area now total 17,230.

Net new cases in area counties in addition to Calhoun in the last week (and county totals/deaths) are: Roane, 7 (3,164/36); Braxton, 4 (3,902/42); Ritchie, 3 (2,446/31); Gilmer, 2 (2,094/19); Wirt, 0 (1,446/24); and Clay, 0 (2,340/41).

New West Virginia cases were 670, the highest in three weeks (490 and 575), after 10 weeks of decreases. Total cases during the pandemic

are 499,288. The number of deaths reported by DHHR was 30, down from 58 last week. Total deaths in West Virginia are 6,804.

The number of new cases in the United States continues to grow, with 253,359 in the past week, up for the fourth week, including 230,377 the previous week, after 11 weeks of declines. Total cases since the pandemic began are 82,316,348.

New deaths in the U.S. were 3,300, down from 3,954, 4,736 and 5,529 the previous three weeks. Total deaths are 1,015,452.

New weekly worldwide cases were 5,552,118, down from 7,279,938, 9,275,982, 11,215,441 and 12,528,569 the past four weeks. Since the pandemic began, worldwide cases reported total 504,064,390.

Worldwide deaths in the last week were 19,641, another significant drop from 26,953, 27,446 and 47,046 the previous three weeks. Total deaths from the pandemic are 6,227,000.

DHHR reported that 972,380 West Virginia residents have been fully vaccinated (54.3%), an increase of 1,447.



This Week In West Virginia History

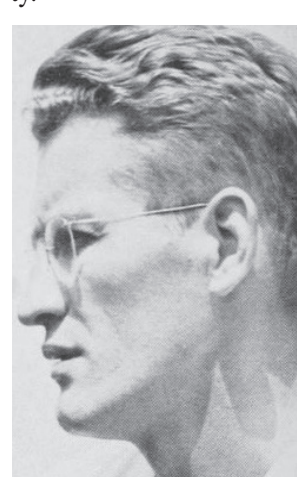


Traditional musician Phoebe Cottrell Parsons was born in Calhoun County on Apr. 21, 1908.

The following events happened from Apr. 21-27 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia's people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit www.wvencyclopedia.org.

Apr. 21, 1908: Traditional musician Phoebe Cottrell Parsons was born in Calhoun County. Her traditional clawhammer banjo style, unaccompanied ballad singing, riddles and storytelling have influenced countless numbers of younger musicians.

Apr. 21, 1936: President Roosevelt established the Jefferson National Forest. The West Virginia portion of the forest includes 18,530 acres in Monroe County.

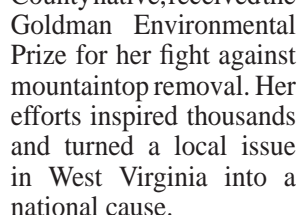


Apr. 23, 1857: Andrew Summers Rowan was born in Gap Mills, Monroe County. A military officer, he was chosen as the messenger when President McKinley wanted to send a message to Cuban Gen. Calixto Garcia. The 1899 pamphlet, "A Message to Garcia," made the incident famous.



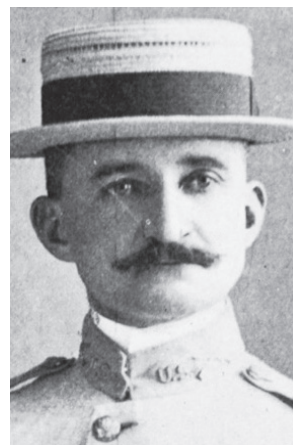
Apr. 25, 1863: About 1,500 Confederate soldiers under Gen. William "Grumble" Jones advanced through Greenland Gap, a deep pass through New Creek Mountain in Grant County. The Confederates encountered 87 Union soldiers, who held off several assaults before finally surrendering.

Apr. 25, 1923: Union leader Arnold Ray Miller was born at Leewood on Cabin Creek in Kanawha County. In December 1972, he defeated Tony Boyle to become president of the United Mine Workers.



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My Home Among the Hills

by Melody Walburn



This spring weather sure is keeping me hopping. Thank heavens my home among the hills has plenty of closet space, so that I can keep all of my clothes readily available. Just this week, I wore short sleeves and slip on shoes, with no socks, one day, but just a few days later, I was back to a turtleneck and sweatshirt with jeans and boots.

Evidently, this up and down weather is here to stay for a while. The weather forecast for this week has snow flurries at the beginning and 80-degree temperatures at the end. There is nothing that I can do about it, so I will dress in layers and just go with the flow. I know this weather will eventually depart, and it will get hot and humid.

There are already signs. The leaves are really coming out now on the trees, and my grass is growing like crazy. My hydrangea is covered in buds, and the birds are emptying the feeders as quickly as I fill them. Summer is right around the corner. Soon, I will be cranking up my air-conditioners and changing the settings on my ceiling fans. I just need to be patient.

This was a busy week at both school and at my home among the hills. Monday and Tuesday were relatively normal school days. On Wednesday, freshmen and sophomores took the PSAT test, and juniors took the SAT test. On Thursday, our cooks made a delicious Easter dinner, and family members were invited to come eat lunch with their students.

Friday was a day off for everyone, and students have Monday off too. We are six weeks from summer vacation, so the school calendar is filling up. I just keep telling myself to take it one day at a time. First on the list is prom, followed by honor society inductions. After school on Thursday, I headed straight to Maricia's house to begin a very busy weekend. The historical society signed up to have a booth at Spring Fling, and we had agreed to help set it up. I picked my sister up, and we headed to the museum to gather items that hadn't already made their way to the old high school.

We made quick work of this task and headed to the school. We spent about an hour setting up our booth with all of the fun items that we had to sell and then headed home to get some rest ahead of what promised to be an activity packed weekend.

Friday morning, I gave myself permission to sleep in a bit. Maricia, Terry and I were to man the booth from 10:00 to 1:30. After a leisurely morning, I picked Maricia up at 9:30, and we headed to Spring Fling. We had a great time meeting people when they visited our booth. We sold a few items and even gave out some fun balloons that my dad brought over.

We passed the baton to another group of historical society members and headed to Smithville to do some grocery shopping for the weekend. My sister Mindy and her family were coming in on Friday night and staying at my house, and my sister Missy and her family were coming in for the day on Saturday. We needed supplies to feed this crew.

We got what we needed and headed back to Calhoun. I dropped Maricia at her house and set to work getting ready for my company. I needed to run the dishwasher, do a load of laundry, and clean the bathrooms. Once those tasks were complete, I settled in on the couch to wait for the Kristoffs to arrive. They pulled in around 9:45. I got them settled in and headed upstairs for a hot shower and bed.

I didn't have anywhere to be on Saturday morning, so I slept in once again. After breakfast, my nephew Landon and I headed down to my parents' house. Landon visited with his grandparents, while I read a book on the back deck. By lunch time, everyone had joined us, and we walked up town for lunch at Alice's Attic. They were great about accommodating our large group, and the food was delicious.

After lunch, we headed walked over to Spring Fling to buy some Easter candy, and then headed to the tennis courts to play pickleball. Around 5:00, we headed back to the old high school to help tear down the booth and take our items back to the museum.

My sister Missy and her family headed back to Wheeling, but the rest of us settled in for the evening. On Easter morning, some of us arose early to attend the sunrise service at the park, while others slept in. We met up for lunch at the Mlyneks, where we had our family Seder dinner. Then it was time for Mindy and her family to head home too.

It was a busy weekend, but I enjoyed every minute of it. Now, I am going to bed; I'm beat!

Letters to Mary and Other Communications

(This series is made possible through the efforts of Michael A. Ayers' descendants. The letters were preserved by Ayers' grandson Ashford Ayers and compiled into booklet form by Alice Ann Ayers Brown, great-granddaughter of Michael and Mary Ayers.)

Michael A. Ayers-- A Calhoun Native In the Civil War

(Continued from Last Week)

Head Quarters, 11th. Regt.

West Va. Vol Infantry

Parkersburg, West Va.

August 29th. 1863

My Own Dear "Mollie",

Thinking that I could not better spend an hour or so, than by writing a few lines for you, I have seated myself at the desk for that purpose.

I arrived here safely at 9.2 o'clock last Monday evening and have been performing my regular duties since, with all the calmness & quietness imaginable, not even a ripple on life's sometimes stormy sea, to disturb the even tenor of my way. Since my visit to you I have felt supremely happy, though I at times feel sad and lonesome, that visit was to me one of the most pleasant, agreeable & truly charming events of my life.

After such a long absence, and exposure incident to a soldiers life, to be able to return and enjoy such sweet, true, and faithful love, for even so short a time, was a world of bliss to me.

I feel sure you did not enjoy it less, and to know that I am loved so truly & deeply, encourages me to live and labor in hope of the "better day acoming", What if I have to toil on for a year and a half yet in defence of my poor bleeding country? If I live, the reward of my hoping & waiting will repay me, and you too dearest one.

I have been strolling about over town this forenoon, and my thoughts wandered back to our pleasant little walk last Sunday morning, and only wished that you were with me to enjoy the pleasure of a walk.

You must not fail to write to me, whenever you can. I am in good health at present and hope you may be enjoying the same good blessing. I have heard nothing from the boys since I returned, if you have let me know. Give my respects to your kind Mother and Miss Ray.

I must close for this time, by subscribing myself as ever before your loving and affectionate Friend.

M.A. Ayers

To Miss M.S.

"Head Quarters" 11th. Regt.

West Va. Vol. Inftry.

Parkersburg, West Va.

Wednesday, Sept. 16th., 1863

"Dear Mary",

Your kind note of 13th. inst. is at hand, and afforded me a great deal of pleasure to read it. I often think of you and how lonesome you are, but hope such will not always be the case. It would afford me the greatest pleasure imaginable if I could be with you, but do not know when I will again be permitted to see you. It seems almost an age to wait till this wicked war is ended, but dearest Mary I do not think it would be advisable for your happiness and mine to "wed" sooner, for God only knows what may be my fate before my term is out, and I know it is enough to bear, to part from each other is our present relation. I therefore think it best to wait patiently, and hope for the best, and I am sure our love will not grow weaker by it, and more than that we will be better qualified to discharge the duties that will devolve upon us in the marriage relation.

In the meantime however I wish it were possible for me to see you oftener and enjoy your society. If nothing happens I will visit you some time this fall again. I should be glad to have your opinion on the subject I have just been speaking of, in your next letter, if you think differently express it, as it is a matter of deep interest to us both.

I have not heard but once from Company C since they left here. They were then at Sutton and he states that Bill Jackson's men have taken 10 of Company "F" prisoner, and I fear our men will all be taken that are at Sutton, but hope not. I am waiting anxiously to get some word from them, as I have written to Alfred & Adolphus, the Captain and others, but have got no answer from any of them yet. I shall write again today. Co. "B" has gone to Glenville. There has been some talk of a raid lately but I do not know whether there is any danger or not.

Write again soon. I shall be happy to hear from you. I hope the Magazines and papers I may send you will prove interesting, and shall take pleasure in sending you one occasionally.

I remain as ever before your true and loving friend.

M.A. Ayers

"Mollie S"

Parkersburg, West Va.

September 29th., 1863

Dear Mary,

Please accept the enclosed photograph.

I am anxiously awaiting a letter from you. I wrote to you some two weeks since.

I am well and getting along fine & hope you may be enjoying the same good blessing.

Capt. Simpson came here last evening. Company "C" is at Bulltown, and all well. I think they will be at Glenville before long. No other news at this time. Write when this comes to hand.

I am as ever your own true and devoted,

M.A. Ayers

Mollie S.

(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, Apr. 21: salisbury steak, brown gravy, peas, pudding, whole wheat bread.

Friday, Apr. 22: lasagna, vegetables, applesauce, whole wheat garlic toast.

Monday, Apr. 25: northern beans, kraut, wieners, cornbread, fruit.

Tuesday, Apr. 26: baked steak, mashed potatoes, sweet corn, fruit medley, whole wheat bread.

Wednesday, Apr. 27: chicken and pasta, vegetables, pineapples, whole

wheat bread.

Thursday, Apr. 28: cabbage roll, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, fruit, bread.

Friday, Apr. 29: fish, ranch potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit, whole wheat bun.

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

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

Senior Updates

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

It wasn't true, it couldn't be true, but it was.

After her husband Bernie died almost three years earlier, Karen went into a big black fog and didn't come out.

Her friends, family and neighbors all knew that she was having a really tough time dealing with his loss and the changes. They didn't want to intrude.

When her life finally started making more sense, Karen had more than the usual number of shocks to deal with.

The biggest was that she had not paid her property taxes all that time, and her house had been sold recently for back taxes.

Sad and lonely, Karen had pushed herself to keep up with the monthly bills, while ignoring most of the paperwork that had come to her mailbox. She knew there were piles of it in various places.

Karen wasn't aware that she could have called West Virginia Senior Legal Aid at any point to double check on the status of her property tax payments and amounts owed.

In those piles of old mail were multiple notices about the failure to pay property taxes and the actions that would lead to the loss of her home.

Karen only became aware that her home had brand new owners when they showed up at her door. At that point, regrettably, she had no legal recourse and would have to move out.

Unfortunately, at a terrible time in his life also, Karen's favorite cousin Richard had lost an important legal right through not focusing on a situation after his wife died in a terrible car crash.

Richard knew that he had to go on, but he just couldn't. Early on, he rebuffed friends' approaches to see how he was doing. He had lost so much.

As he healed from his own accident injuries, Richard let the two years' time go by for filing personal injury and wrongful death lawsuits against the trucking company whose driver had hit their vehicle going much too fast. He couldn't think in those terms, and no one mentioned anything about that.

At such times, financial priorities are viewed as less important. Some may not pay their bills on time and let utilities be turned off, or let overdue accounts go to judgment, especially loans and credit cards.

They may skip paying estimated income taxes when that is appropriate for their situation. Interest and penalties for the unpaid taxes will be the result.

If only a family member, neighbor or friend had brought up the subject of financial well-being when they noticed that Karen and Richard were struggling to go on. Bringing some cookies or flowers and talking about how things are going can do the trick. It's even appropriate to mention that when times are rough, big mistakes can happen more easily.

Passing on West Virginia Senior Legal Aid's phone number, 800-229-5068, may help also, if the person needing legal support is a West Virginia resident age 60 or over. They must call on their own behalf, and the staff attorney can provide free assistance.



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Savannah Cunningham Sets Season's Best In Two Events

Once again, Savannah Cunningham swept the competition in the 100, 200, 400 and 800 events at Roane County last week.

The CCHS senior had season bests in the 100-meters (13.56) and in the 800-meters (2:37.51), and earned a perfect score of 32 points.

Dani Cunningham earned 10 points, with a first in high jump (4-06) and a fourth in long jump (11-06).

Joselynn Yeager was second on the team in points with 13.5. She placed second in both the shot put (27-06) and discus throw (70-10), and was a member of the third place 4x100 relay team.

Christee Craddock had eight points, including a strong second place showing (13.79) in the 100-meter dash.

Daniel Kargol led the boys' team with 14.5 points. He had second place finishes in the 1600-meter run and in the 3200-meter run, and was a member of the relay teams.

Calhoun is scheduled to compete in the Cline Stansberry Invitational, Doddridge County, on Friday at 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Apr. 12, at Roane County Girls

Team results: Roane 133, Herbert Hoover 93, Calhoun 69 (3rd of 4), Clay 22.

Calhoun girls individual scoring: Savannah Cunningham 32, Joselynn

Yeager 13.5, Dani Cunningham 10, Christee Craddock 8, Lacy Hicks 2, Cassie Fowler 1.5, Grace Vincent 1.5, Nyla Warner .5.

Calhoun girls individual results:

100-meter dash: Savannah Cunningham, 1st of 18, 13.46; Christee Craddock, 2nd, 13.79; Nyla Warner, 12th, 15.81; Dani Cunningham, 14th, 16.63.

200-meter dash: Savannah Cunningham, 1st of 17, 28.39; Christee Craddock, 5th, 32.31; Nyla Warner, 8th, 33.05.

400-meter dash: Savannah Cunningham, 1st of 5, 1:03.26.

800-meter run: Savannah Cunningham, 1st of 7, 2:37.51.

1600-meter run: Grace Vincent, 6th of 6, 8:01.06.

4x100 meter relay: Cassie Fowler, Lacy Hicks, Joselynn Yeager, Grace Vincent, 3rd of 5, 1:04.05.

4x200 meter relay: Nyla Warner, Joselynn Yeager, Christee Craddock, Lacy Hicks, 4th of 5, 2:20.70.

4x800 meter relay: Christee Craddock, Cassie Fowler, Lacy Hicks, Grace Vincent, 4th of 4, 13:34.45.

Girls high jump: Dani Cunningham, 1st of 11, 4-06; Cassie Fowler, 6th, 3-10.

Girls long jump: Dani Cunningham, 4th of 12, 11-06; Nyla Warner, 7th, 11-04; Ariety Hickman, 18th, 11-02.5.

Girls shot put: Joselynn Yeager, 2nd of 13, 27-06; Ariety Hickman, 12th, 16-01.

Girls discus throw: Joselynn Yeager, 2nd of 13, 70-10; Ariety Hickman, 9th, 47-08.

Boys

Team results: Roane A 157, Clay 104, Herbert Hoover 63, Calhoun 26 (4th of 5), Roane B 18.

Calhoun boys individual scoring: Daniel Kargol 14.5, Joshua Hixon 4.5, Landon Warner 2, Kason Hupp 1.5, Antonio Matteredo 1.5, Mason Siwicki 1.5, Gabriel Waldron .5.

Calhoun boys individual results:

100-meter dash: Gabriel Waldron, 8th of 16, 13.19; Antonio Matteredo, 16th, 15.64.

200-meter dash: Gabe Waldron, 7th of 12, 27.68.

1600 meter run: Daniel Kargol, 2nd of 11, 5:22.12; Joshua Hixon, 9th, 6:24.48.

3200 meter run: Daniel Kargol, 2nd of 4, 11:51.51; Joshua Hixon, 4th, 14:19.58.

4x200 meter relay: Kason Hupp, Antonio Matteredo, Gabriel Waldron, Landon Warner, 4th of 4, 2:11.09.

4x800 meter relay: Joshua Hixon, Mason Siwicki, Landon Warner,

Daniel Kargol, 2nd of 4, 10:21.88.

4x110 meter shuttle hurdle: Joshua Hixon, Daniel Kargol, Antonio Matteredo, Kason Hupp, 3rd of 3, 1:30.43.

Boys long jump: Gabriel Waldron, 12th of 14, 14-05.0; Antonio Matteredo, 13th, 12-07.5; Kason Hupp, 14th, 11-06.0.

Saturday, Apr. 16, at Russ Parsons Invitational, Stadium Field, Parkersburg Girls

Team results: 8 (9th of 10 teams).

Calhoun girls individual scoring: Savannah Cunningham 6, Dani Cunningham 2.

Calhoun girls individual results:

100-meter dash: Savannah Cunningham, 4th of 25, 13.63; Nyla Warner, 23rd, 15.56.

200-meter dash: Savannah Cunningham, 5th of 25, 28.02.

400-meter dash: Savannah Cunningham, 7th of 24, 1:04.73.

Girls high jump: Dani Cunningham, 5th of 18, 4-06.

Girls long jump: Dani Cunningham, 15th of 18, 11-10; Ariety Hickman, 16th, 11-02.5; Nyla Warner, 17th, 10-10.

Boys

Team results: Calhoun 1 (11th of 11).

Calhoun boys individual scoring: Daniel Kargol 1.

Calhoun boys individual results:

100-meter dash: Gabriel Waldron, 17th of 27, 13.15; Landon Warner, 24th, 15.74; Antonio Matteredo, 26th, 16.08.

200-meter dash: Mason Siwicki, 20th of 28, 27.50; Gabe Waldron, 22nd, 28.17; Antonio Matteredo, 26th, 34.38.

400-meter dash: Mason Siwicki, 15th of 20, 1:02.67.

800-meter run: Landon Warner, 23rd of 25, 2:53.17.

1600 meter run: Daniel Kargol, 13th of 21, 5:32.14.

3200 meter run: Daniel Kargol, 6th of 15, 11:44.75; Joshua Hixon, 13th, 14:49.99.

4x800 meter relay: Joshua Hixon, Daniel Kargol, Mason Siwicki, Landon Warner, 9th of 9, 10:36.64.

Boys long jump: Gabriel Waldron, 13th of 17, 14-00.25; Antonio Matteredo, 15th, 10-09.75; Kason Hupp, 16th, 9-06.50.

CCHS Baseball and Softball Schedules

2022 Calhoun High Baseball Schedule

Most scores from opponents' websites
 March
 17 Calhoun 0 Roane Co. 10 L
 22 Calhoun 2 Gilmer Co. 5 L
 24 Calhoun 16 Webster Co. 2 W
 29 Calhoun 4 Clay Co. 3 W
 31 Calhoun 1 Braxton Co. 6 L
 April
 2 Calhoun 8 Williamstown 10 .. L
 Calhoun 3 Williamstown 28 .. L
 11 Calhoun 4 Ravenswood 9 L
 12 Calhoun 5 Roane Co. 3 W
 14 Calhoun 14 Gilmer Co. 17 L
 15 Calhoun 14 St. Marys 16 L
 Calhoun 15 St. Marys 6 W
 19 Webster County 4:30 H
 21 Clay County 4:30 H
 23 Tygarts Valley DH 12:00 H
 25 Ravenswood 5:00 A
 26 Braxton County 5:00 A
 27 Wirt County DH 3:00 A
 28 South Harrison 4:30 H
 May
 3 Doddridge County ... DH 5:00 A
 5 LKC Placement TBD

2022 Calhoun High Softball Schedule

Most scores from opponents' websites
 March
 19 Calhoun 0 Ravenswood 16 ... L
 Calhoun 0 Ravenswood 15 ... L
 22 Calhoun 0 Gilmer Co. 17 L
 23 Calhoun 0 Roane Co. 15 L
 24 Calhoun 3 Webster Co. 6 L
 29 Calhoun 33 Clay Co. 31 W
 31 Calhoun 1 Braxton Co. 22 L
 April
 7 Calhoun 4 Doddridge Co. 6 .. L
 Calhoun 0 Doddridge Co. 16 L
 14 Calhoun 0 Gilmer Co. 15 L
 19 Webster County 5:00 A
 21 Clay County 5:00 H
 22 Roane County 5:00 H
 23 Tygarts Valley DH 12:00 H
 26 Braxton County 4:30 A
 27 Wirt County DH 3:00 A

Calhoun County Track and Field 2022 Season Scoring and 1st Place Finishes

Calhoun girls individual scoring - season: Savannah Cunningham 162.5, Dani Cunningham 35.25, Joselynn Yeager 36.25, Grace Vincent 13.5, Cassie Fowler 9, Christee Craddock 8.75, Josie Montgomery 7, Lacy Hicks 7, Nyla Warner 5.25, Ariety Hickman 3.

Calhoun boys individual scoring - season: Daniel Kargol 28.5, Joshua Hixon 7.5, Landon Warner 2, Kason Hupp 1.5, Antonio Matteredo 1.5, Mason Siwicki 1.5, Gabriel Waldron .5

100 meter dash
 Savannah Cunningham
 1st of 21, 13.47
 1st of 12, 13.79
 1st of 29, 13.78
 1st of 10, 13.79
 1st of 18, 13.46

200 meter dash
 Savannah Cunningham
 1st of 18, 27.88
 1st of 13, 28.20
 1st of 26, 28.46
 1st of 12, 28.61
 1st of 17, 28.39

400 meter dash
 Savannah Cunningham
 1st of 15, 1:02.49
 1st of 6, 1:05.24
 1st of 11, 1:05.78
 1st of 4, 1:05.10
 1st of 5, 1:03.26

800 meter dash
 Savannah Cunningham
 1st of 11, 2:47.56
 1st of 5, 2:48.40
 1st of 7, 2:37.51

Girls high jump
 Dani Cunningham
 1st of 10, 4-08
 1st of 10, 4-06
 1st of 11, 4-06

Girls shot put
 Joselynn Yeager
 1st of 14, 29-02.75

Campgrounds

Campgrounds managed by the Huntington District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are beginning to open for the 2022 season.

The following includes dates, fees, contact number, registration period (most have full hook-ups available):

Burnsville Lake (853-2371): **Riffle Run**, Apr. 15-Nov. 27, \$24-\$40, 853-2583, May 26-Sept. 4; **Bulltown**, Apr. 15-Nov. 27, \$28-\$40, 452-8006, May 28-Sept. 4.

Summersville Lake (872-3412): **Battle Run** (no pets), May 1-Oct. 8, \$24-\$34, 872-3459, May 26-Sept. 4.

Sutton Lake (765-2816): **Bakers Run**, May-Sept. 30, May 1-Sept. 30, \$24-\$40, 765-5631, May 1-Sept. 30; **Bee Run**, May 1-Sept. 30, \$16, 765-2816; **G.R. Freeman**, Apr. 15-Dec. 1, \$24-\$40, 765-7756, May 25-Oct. 31.

Calhoun 11 & Under Dirt Devils and Diamond Devils Softball Schedules

Wednesday, Apr. 20, at Arnoldsburg Park
 Diamond Devils host
 Dirt Devils, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Apr. 23, at Bridgeport
 Dirt Devils, 2 p.m.
 and 4 p.m.
 Diamond Devils, 2 p.m.
 and 4 p.m.

Monday, Apr. 25, at Gilmer County
 Dirt Devils, 6 p.m.
 Diamond Devils, 6 p.m.

Sunday, May 1, at Clarksburg
 Dirt Devils, 3 p.m.
 and 5 p.m.
 Diamond Devils, 3 p.m.
 and 5 p.m.

Wednesday, May 4, at Gilmer County
 Dirt Devils, 6 p.m.
 Diamond Devils, 6 p.m.

May 9-13
 Tournament week,
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Jennifer McCumbers, FNP-C

Jennifer is a longstanding member of Calhoun County where she currently resides with her husband and two sons. She started her nursing career as an LPN in 2002. She completed her RN degree in 2005 from Hocking College. In 2016, she achieved her advance practice nursing degree and successfully completed her Masters in Science of Nursing in 2020, from the Chamberlain College of Nursing.

When asked why she chose a career at MHHS, she stated, "I am truly honored to be part of the MHHS team as a Family Nurse Practitioner. My time working at Minnie Hamilton as a nurse, a student and a Nurse Practitioner, I have witnessed Administrative Leadership and exceptional clinical care that sets MHHS above the rest. At that point, I knew I had found my forever home. Being able to give back to the community that I have been a member of my whole life has been a God sent blessing to me. I am so grateful to my patients who allow me to assist them along their healthcare journey."



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974 Slate Road, Spencer, WV || 0.97 Acres +/- || Workshop/Garage with plenty of room for expanding! This private lot has a privacy chain link fence around the side of the shop enclosing the bulk of the land making it perfect for a tow yard or to keep equipment. Inside, the shop has concrete floors and plenty of space to work. Outside, attached to the shop you have a large open roofed area as well as another dry storage area that is detached. The large open field can accommodate large equipment, vehicles, pipe, etc. * This will be a cash or owner financing purchase only! Contact the Listing Agent for more information. **\$49,900**

1511 Big Root Road, Big Bend, WV || 1 Acre +/- || Perfect starter or retirement home on a low traffic country road! This home sits on 1 acre of land making yard maintenance ideal. Inside, you will find 3 bedrooms and 1 full bathroom. The open floorplan allows for easy transition between the kitchen and dining room making it perfect for guests! From the kitchen, you have a sliding glass door that leads you out onto the private back patio. There is an older cellar house as well as an outbuilding on the property for storage. The metal roof was recently added over the entire home. The home has a water well and water softener, approved septic tank, metered natural gas and electric. If you are looking for a convenient, affordable property close to town, this is it! **\$109,900**

1395 Big Root Road, Big Bend, WV || 1 Acre +/- || Looking for a move-in ready home? This is it! This home has 3 bedrooms with 2 bathrooms. The home has a true Master Bedroom with a Master Bathroom. No appliances? No need! This home has all appliances needed that have been purchased recently. In the living room you will find a wood fireplace for the brisk nights. The dedicated dining room is ready for many more family dinners. The large back deck is great for entertaining multiple guests. The front yard is flat and easy to maintain. The backyard is mostly uphill with a few benches in the ground perfect for a garden (current use). For the price, this is a perfect move-in ready home just minutes from Grantsville. **\$129,900**

955 Vaughan Road, Grantsville, WV || 1 Acre +/- || Great quiet neighborhood just a few miles from the Town of Grantsville. This charming 3-bedroom 2-bathroom home is perfect for the first-time homebuyer or elderly couple looking for one-level living. The living room flows easily into the kitchen/dining area with a door onto the back porch. All of the bedrooms are on one end of the home. This home does feature a Master Bedroom and Bathroom. This home has central heating and air. The basement of the home is accessed from outside and has a garage door. The property has 1 acre of land. Bring your personal belongings and move into this VERY CLEAN home.

3670 E. Little Kanawha Highway, Grantsville, WV || 1.58 Acres +/- || Remodeled from the studs, this house looks brand new on the inside! The living room, kitchen and dining room all wraps into one big open floor plan making it perfect for hosting guests. Sliding glass doors in the dining room lead out into the carport making it an easy walk with a handful of groceries. All on one end of the house, you will find 3 bedrooms and the guest bathroom. With no stairs, this home is perfect for one-level living. Outside, there is a large fenced area great for kids and pets to roam. Did I mention Riverfront? Bring your kayak, fishing pole and cooler and have a great float down the Little Kanawha River. Need a mother-in-law suite or guest house? The garages have an apartment perfect for the occasion! The rest of the garage has 3 stalls perfect for the car enthusiast or mechanic. Storage is not an issue on this property. Want to just purchase the house or garage? Contact the listing agent for details. ** The owner of this property is offering a 14 month home warranty paid for at closing! ** This property is located in the 100-year flood zone. If you are financing this property, you will need to obtain flood insurance. **\$179,900**

452 Sycamore Road, Millstone, WV || 2.19 Acres +/- || A very quiet and private home with FREE GAS! This split-level home sits back off of a quiet county road in Calhoun County, WV. There are 2 bedrooms up stairs with another partial finished bedroom in the basement. There is a full bathroom on each level as well as a family/living room. If you are two families living together, the downstairs does have a private entrance through the garage without going through the main door. Speaking of garage, you have 2 over-sized 1 car garages. One attached to the house, the other detached. The FREE GAS and water well make utilities cheap! You have a backup metered gas already in place. Sitting on 2.19 Acres +/- this is the perfect country setting relaxation. Less than 5 miles to town! Don't wait on this one! **\$199,900**

981 Jacobs Road, Grantsville, WV || 22.5 Acres +/- || Off-Grid seclusion without a neighbor in sight! This property has an old structure on the property that is inhabitable in current condition. There is an old cut stone cellar still standing near the structure. When I say off-grid, I MEAN IT. No gas, electricity, water, or septic are currently installed on the property. **UNDER CONTRACT** The stream as the water source. The drive way into the property requires a 40' vehicle in the current state making this the ultimate hunting property, prepper paradise or even primitive camp. In Calhoun County, there are currently no zoning restrictions. Looking for a little more land? There is possibly another 20+ acres that will be available for purchase. The possibilities are endless! **\$39,900**



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LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE

ORDER AND NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR ADDITIONAL COUNTY LEVY TO THE VOTERS OF CALHOUN COUNTY

That at a regular meeting of the County Commission of the County of Calhoun, State of West Virginia, held on the 14th day of February, 2022, as provided by law, the following order was made and entered of record, to wit:

The County Commission of Calhoun County, being of the opinion that the Maximum Levies for Current Expenses authorized by Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code of West Virginia, as amended, will not provide sufficient funds for the payment of current expenses of the County Commission, including expenditures for the purpose hereafter set forth, and that an election should be held to increase such levies under the provisions of Section 16, Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code, as amended, it is hereby ORDERED:

1. That the purpose for which additional funds are needed is to provide emergency services, law enforcement, fire protection, funds for the office of emergency services and for the expense of the special election to the citizens of Calhoun County.
2. That the approximate amount of each purpose is as follows:

Ambulance Services	\$ 258,007.43	62.50%
Arnoldsburg Volunteer Fire Department	27,617.12	6.69%
Grantsville Volunteer Fire Department	55,234.23	13.38%
Upper West Fork Volunteer Fire Department	27,617.12	6.69%
Salary for Deputy Sheriff	38,597.91	9.35%
Office of Emergency Services	2,869.04	0.695%
Contingency Fund (i.e. Election)	2,869.04	0.695%

3. That the annual approximate amount for said purpose is \$312,296.10 before estimated tax discounts, exonerations, and delinquencies, and the total amount for the five year levy is \$1,561,480.50.
4. That the separate and aggregate assessed valuation of class of taxable property within the County of Calhoun is as follows:

Class I	.00
Class II	103,041,493
Class III	247,957,347
Class IV	9,651,511
AGGREGATE	\$ 360,650,351

5. That the additional rate of levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed valuations on each class of property is as follows:

Class I	4.97 cents
Class II	9.94 cents
Class III	19.88 cents
Class IV	19.88 cents
6. That the proposed years to which the additional levy shall apply on the Fiscal Years beginning July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027 and July 1, 2028.
7. That the County Commission will not issue bonds upon approval of the proposed increased levy.
8. That the question of such additional levy shall be submitted to a vote at the Election to be held on the 10th day of May, 2022.
9. That notice calling such election shall be given by publication of this order at least once each week for two successive weeks before said election in two newspapers of opposite politics and of general circulation in the territory in which the election is held. If there is only one newspaper published in the county, said publication shall be made therein. All the provisions of the laws concerning general elections shall apply as far as they are practicable.
10. That the ballot to be used at such election shall be in the form as follows:

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EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY BALLOT

"Special election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years July 1, 2024, July 1, 2025, July 1, 2026, July 1, 2027 and July 1, 2028, for the purpose of providing emergency services, law enforcement, fire protection, funds for the office of emergency services; and for the expense of the special election to the citizens of Calhoun County, according to the order of the County Commission entered on the 10th day of May, 2022."

That the approximate amount of each purpose is as follows:
 "The additional levy shall be on Class I property 4.97 cents per \$100.00 (of assessed value); on Class II property 9.94 cents per \$100.00 (of assessed value); on Class III property 19.88 cents per \$100.00 (of assessed value); and on Class IV property 19.88 cents per \$100.00 (of assessed value)."

For the Levies
 Against the Levies

Instructions: Those favoring the additional levies place an (X) in the square before "For the Levies"; those against such levies, place an (X) in the square before "Against the Levies".

MICHAEL HICKS, Commission President
 KEVIN HELMICK, Commissioner
 MATTHEW WALKER, Commissioner

GSU Commencement

The 148th Glenville State University commencement ceremony will be held on Saturday, May 7, at 10 a.m. in the GSU Waco Center.

The GSU Class of 2022 will walk across the graduation stage to receive their degrees in a variety of programs, including business, education, land resources, criminal justice, science, music, etc.

In recognition of an ongoing tradition at Glenville State, alumni who graduated 50 years ago have been invited back to campus to join the current graduates at the ceremony. Members of the class of 1972 will be recognized as "50 Year Graduates" during the event.

The keynote address will be delivered by Andy Knicely.

Graduates are permitted to bring as many guests with them as they like, and no tickets are necessary.

For information, visit www.glenville.edu or call 462-4115.

Work Zone Safety

Public Service Commission, along with W.Va. Dept. of Transportation and other law enforcement agencies, recognized National Work Zone Awareness Week by announcing increased patrols and enforcement in road construction zones.

Law enforcement officers, including PSC officers, will target work zones on Interstates 70, 68, 64, 77, 79 and 81. The effort follows a tragic increase in accidents and fatalities in work zones over the past several years.

In West Virginia, there were 18 fatal crashes in West Virginia work zones from 2018 to 2020. Ten of those fatal crashes involved trucks. There were only 15 fatal crashes in the entire seven-year period preceding 2018, three of those crashes involved trucks.

"Any fatality in a work zone crash is a preventable tragedy," said PSC chairman Charlotte Lane. Our officers will be out there every day patrolling the work zones, watching for unsafe drivers, particularly those traveling at excessive speeds. We will do everything in our power to make our highways and our work zones safe."

LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

In Re: S.R. (DOB: 04/01/2021) Juvenile Case No. 22-JA-10
 Adult Respondent(s):
 Misty Richards, Mother
 Unknown Father, Father

ORDER OF CLASS II PUBLICATION

The subject of this suit is to determine custody of the Infant Respondent.

A more particular description of this suit is continued in the Petition on file in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Calhoun County, West Virginia.

To Unknown Father, father of S.R.,

You have been named as the putative father of the child who is the subject of the above-styled matter involving a petition alleging the abuse and neglect of the child, whose mother is Misty Richards. It appears after due diligence the Petitioner has been unable to locate your current whereabouts. Respondent, Unknown Father must serve upon Nigel E. Jeffries, Prosecuting Attorney, whose address is PO Box 337, Grantsville, WV 26147, an answer including any related counterclaim or defense you may have to the Petition filed in this action, on or before May 5, 2022. You have the right to counsel at every stage of these proceedings. An attorney has been appointed to represent you. His name is Calvin Honaker, Esquire. His address is 202 Main St W, Ripley, WV 25271. These proceedings can result in the permanent termination of your parental rights if you fail to file a response or make an appearance in this matter. An Adjudication Hearing is scheduled in this matter for Unknown Father, on May 12, 2022, at the Calhoun County Circuit Court at 2:00 p.m., and a Disposition Hearing may follow immediately thereafter. A copy of said petition can be obtained from the undersigned Circuit Clerk at her office.

A copy of the Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office.
 ENTERED by the Clerk of said Court on the 14th day of April 2022.

Sheila R. Garretson
 Sheila Garretson, Calhoun County Circuit Court

LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE FAMILY COURT OF WOOD COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF:
 NANCY METZ,
 Petitioner,
 CIVIL ACTION NO. 22-d-81
 ELLEN L. SMITH, FAMILY COURT JUDGE
 LENNIE METZ,
 Respondent.

LEGAL NOTICE

TO: LENNIE METZ, respondent
 The purpose of this proceeding is to obtain a divorce. An Affidavit having been filed by the Petitioner setting forth that numerous attempts have been made to obtain service of process upon the Respondent, without success, notice is hereby given that NANCY METZ has filed the above styled Petition for Divorce in the Family Court of Wood County, West Virginia.

You are hereby given Notice that an Answer to said Petition for Divorce must be filed on or before May 11, 2022, or judgement by default may be taken against you. A copy of said Answer must be served upon the Petitioner's Attorney, C. Blaine Myers, P.O. Box 287 Parkersburg, WV, 26102.

You are further given Notice that a Preliminary Hearing is scheduled in this matter for the 6th day of May, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. before the Honorable Ellen L. Smith, Family Court Judge, at her office located at 315 Market Street, Parkersburg, WV at which time you may be present and heard if you so desire.

A copy of said Petition for Divorce and Notice of Preliminary Hearing may be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office in the Wood County Courthouse, One Government Square, Parkersburg, WV.

Celeste Ridgeway
 Celeste Ridgeway, Circuit Clerk
 By: *J.W. Adams*
 Deputy

WIC Program

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

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

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

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

Food Pantry

CRI operates a food pantry, Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-4 p.m., with free USDA commodities to those who qualify (food pantry only) on Court St., Grantsville.

Solid Waste

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Calhoun Co. Magistrate Court Case Disposition March 1-31

Magistrates: RP, Richard Postalwait, or LD, Lora Davis (Agency, Leading Officer).

Case Type: Felony

Case 22-M07F-00013, Kim A. Hudson, 61-8D-5, Sexual Abuse by a Guardian/Custodian, 13 counts; preliminary hearings waived; LD (W.Va. Dept. of Public Safety, P.S. Fisher).

Case 22-M07F-00015, Michael Duncan, 60A-04-401(a)(ii), Manufacture/deliver/possess with intent to manufacture/deliver (Schedule I, II, III); preliminary hearings waived; RP (Sheriff of Calhoun County, C.J. Myers).

Case Type: Misdemeanor

Case 21-M07M-00129, Thomas E. Smith, 60A-04-401(c), Knowingly or intentionally possessing a controlled substance without a valid prescrip; dismissed - deferred sentence; RP (Sheriff of Calhoun County, C.J. Myers).

Case 21-M07M-00367, Lynda Hinzman Tanner, 17B-04-03(b), Driving while license revoked - DUI; guilty verdict; RP (State Police, TFC David C. Moore).

Case 21-M07M-00381, Todd Allen Good, 60A-04-401(c), Knowingly or intentionally possessing a controlled substance without a valid prescrip; 17C-5-2(e), DUI Controlled Substance; guilty - plea agreement; RP (Sheriff of Calhoun County, J.W. Basnett).

Case 21-M07M-00497, Hillary B. Taylor, 17C-05-02(g), Driving under the influence of controlled

substances or drugs (habitual user); 60A-04-401(c), Knowingly or intentionally possessing a controlled substance without a valid prescrip; guilty - plea agreement; RP (Sheriff of Calhoun County, C.J. Myers).

Case 22-M07M-00009, Isaac Charles Grounds, 60A-04-401(c), Knowingly or intentionally possessing a controlled substance without a valid prescrip; 61-07-07(a)(1), Persons prohibited possessing firearms, 1 year conviction; no contest pleas; LD (State Police, E.E. Taylor).

Case 22-M07M-00035, Franklin John Cash, 48-27-903(a)(1)(A), Misdemeanor Offense for violation of Protective Order Mandatory Provisions, section 48-2; not guilty verdict; RP (Josh Richards).

Case 22-M07M-00047, Jamie Freda Persinger, 17C-6-1, Actual 55 in 35; no contest plea; RP (State Police, TFC David C. Moore).

Case 22-M07M-00048, Shaina Rachel Cain, 17A-03-16(a), Expiration of registration and certificates of title; 17C-16-09, Operation without cert. inspection or failure to produce certificate; penalty for misdemeanor; no contest pleas; RP (State Police, Josh Richards).

Case 22-M07M-00052, Amanda Nicole Price, 17D-2A-3, No Insurance; no contest plea; RP (Sheriff of Calhoun County, C.J. Myers).

Case 22-M07M-00053, Anna Thompson, 17C-06-01(g), Speed limitations generally; penalty, 10 mph

or less above; guilty plea; LD (Sheriff of Calhoun County, C.J. Myers).

Case 22-M07M-00054, Lenise Riley, 17C-06-01, Speeding general; no contest plea; RP (State Police, Josh Richards).

Case 22-M07M-00056, Shawn Michael Skeens, 17C-06-01, General speeding; 17D-02A-03(a), No Insurance; no contest pleas; RP (State Police, Josh Richards).

Case 22-M07M-00073, Alex J. Cunningham, 17C-6-1, Speeding 35 in a 25 mph; no contest plea; RP (State Police, E.E. Taylor).

Case 22-M07M-00075, Jarred Adam Adkins, 17C-15-01, Defective Equipment; Reckless Driving; guilty pleas; LD (Sheriff of Calhoun County, C.J. Myers).

Case 22-M07M-00076, Andrew Shane Miller, 60A-4-401, Possession of Marijuana <15; guilty verdict; LD (Sheriff of Calhoun County, J.W. Basnett).

Case 22-M07M-00078, Kenneth E. Point, 17C-06-01, General speeding; no contest plea; LD (State Police, Josh Richards).

Case 22-M07M-00079, Levi J. Gregory, 17C-06-01, General speeding; no contest plea; RP (State Police, Josh Richards).

Case 22-M07M-00080, Thomas Frady, 17D-02A-03(a), No Insurance; no contest plea; LD (State Police, Josh Richards).

Case 22-M07M-00086, David C. Steele, 20-3-5, Allowing fire to escape, guilty plea; RP (W.Va. Division of Forestry, Jesse King).

Case 22-M07M-00091, Titus Elijah McIntyre, 17C-6-1, Speeding actual 73; guilty plea; LD (State Police, TFC David C. Moore).

Case 22-M07M-00095, Ralph E. Ackley, 22-15-05(a), Solid Waste Management - Administrative Violation; no contest plea; LD (Sheriff of Calhoun County, C.J. Myers).

Bingo at the Park

Bingo will be held at Calhoun County Park barn on Saturday, Apr. 30, at 5 p.m. Doors open at 4 p.m. The park fundraiser will have prizes, fun for all, auction items, concessions, and 50/50 drawing. For information or early bird tickets, call Loretta Freshour, 477-3695.

Poultry Workshop

WVU Extension will offer a backyard poultry workshop for those interested in becoming chicken producers and beginning farmers of poultry on Saturday, Apr. 23, 1 to 3 p.m., at Spencer Farmer's Market, Bowman St. parking plaza.

The workshop is the second of a three-part series of Mid-Ohio Valley Agriculture Field Days. The series will conclude on Thursday, June 2, at Berea Gardens, Minnora, with "High Tunnel Production."

Backyard flock owners (or potential owners) are invited to attend the workshop to learn about the cost and benefits of raising poultry and marketing the eggs or meat.

The main speaker will be Dr. Joe Moritz, poultry specialist, who has worked with WVU Extension and the WVU Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design for over 20 years. He is an expert in animal nutrition, flock health, and breed characteristics.

Extension agent Brandy Brabham will discuss low-cost marketing strategies and regulations for small poultry producers. She raises a backyard poultry flock and markets eggs to friends, neighbors, and markets in Charleston.

"Poultry farming can be very profitable, even poultry manure is valuable. There is a market for poultry as a white meat, eggs as a protein source, and target market vary in customer income levels and age," said Brabham.

For information or to pre-register by Friday, Apr. 22, call 927-0975 or e-mail roanecountyextension@wvu.edu.

Spring Poker Run

Creston Community Building, 340 Anns Run Road, Creston, will host a Spring Poker Run on Saturday, Apr. 30.

Registration will be from 9 a.m. to noon, with \$10 entry fee.

Payback is 1st, 30%; 2nd, 10%; and 3rd, 10%, of the door. No two-wheelers allowed.

Riders must stop at all stations, and check in at station 5 by the posted deadline to be eligible for payout.

There will be door prizes, 50/50, and kitchen open for breakfast and dinner items. For more information, call 275-3578 or 275-0003.

Underwood Property--

(Continued from Page 1) with these agencies and also with elected representatives in Calhoun County, Washington and Charleston.

She said that this is something that she strongly believes in and that she knows needs to happen, and it is something she plans to see done.

Mersh, while chairwoman of the board of the executive team, said that the team will be the ones making the final decision on where the manufacturing plant will be located.

It is her intention to put the facility in West Virginia and that she would like to see it located in Calhoun, if possible.

She said that the team wishes to locate in the state for two reasons: a high level of participation and cooperation from state officials, and, the one that she is most proud of, the people of West Virginia.

She handed out an informational packet to the commissioners and said that there will be a question and answer call on Thursday to answer questions that the commissioners might have.

Mersh said that when the project is finished and the plant is in full running mode, there will be 500 to 600 jobs that will be filled.

Julie Sears gave the E-911 report calls information in March: Sheriff's Dept., 112 (51 traffic stops); State Police, 146 (37); Arnoldsburg VFD, 6; Upper West Fork VFD, 6; Grantsville VFD, 13; Calhoun EMS, 62; Dept. of Highways, 11; MHHS, 9; other EMS agency, 3; DNR, 7; E-911, 24; wrecker services, 7.

She wanted to remind everyone that it is in the middle of brush fire season, and that people need to keep that in mind when they plan a burn of brush on their property.

There have already been five instances where people thought that it was okay to burn, until it got out of control and started burning the hillsides. She said that if a fire gets out of control, the fire starter is responsible for damages and will have to pay fines and damages.

Sears said that the loan for \$300,000 that was instrumental in Calhoun having ambulance service has been paid down to about \$24,000, and that it will be paid off this year.

She said that the training program for EMS workers and drivers is still underway and doing well.

The sheriff gave a report on home confinement. He said that the department could benefit by getting a truck for the department's use, since the roads that they must travel require more ground clearance than vehicles currently in use have available.

The levy for 2022-23 was laid and approved.

Luke Peters of Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council discussed a draw-down for the Calhoun County Park recreation grant and give an update on park bathhouse costs.

He also gave an update on FEMA offer letters for purchasing properties located in the floodplain.

April was declared "Fair Housing" month.

Shelia Burch of LKADC asked commissioners to allow her to give her report in executive session.

Applications for appointment to Calhoun County Planning Commission were discussed and Burch was appointed.

Commissioners said that they have four letters from individuals

requesting to be placed on the commission and that the deadline for interested parties to submit letters of request to be on the commission is Friday, May 13.

A workshop will be held on Thursday, May 12, at 6 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, May 16, at 9 a.m.

(The following is from the minutes of the Apr. 14 special meeting.)

A special meeting of the Calhoun County Commission was called to order on Thursday, Apr. 14, at 6 p.m., in the courthouse large courtroom, with over 140 persons attending.

Minutes of meetings held on Mar. 14 and Mar. 28 were approved.

Commissioner Kevin Helmick moved and commissioner Michael Hicks seconded to transfer the Wayne Underwood Field to the Calhoun County Board of Education. Helmick and Hicks voted in favor. Commissioner Matt Walker voted no.

A proposal from WVC Corp for the 2022-23 fiscal year was approved.

Commissioners acknowledged receipt of the accountant's report for Little Kanawha Area Development Corp.

A list of poll workers for the May 10 primary election was approved, as was the annual Memorandum of Understanding with WVU Extension Service.

Also approved was the recommendation of fiduciary commissioner Leslie Maze, regarding the Warren Kerby estate.

Kyerstan Perkins and others spoke to the commission regarding the transfer of Wayne Underwood Field.

Attorney Tony Morgan, who had given a letter [see Page 2 of this issue] to the commission regarding the transfer of the field and the reversionary clause in the original deed, also spoke.

Other items approved included the following:

--In-house transfer #6 and resolution.

--Financial statement for March.

--Invoices paid, need to be approved.

--General fund, \$44,347; magistrate, \$392; E911, \$42,220; Home confinement, \$1,966; Excess levy, \$198,816; total, \$287,742.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

New at Library

The Calhoun County Library has the following new items:

Adult Fiction: The Lighthouse on Moonglow Bay, by Lori Wilde; The Missing Piece, by John Lescroart; Summer on the Island, by Brenda Novak; What Happened to the Bennetts, by Lisa Scottoline; The Younger Wife, by Sally Hepworth; The Echoes, by Jess Montgomery; The Diamond Eye, by Kate Quinn; Fear Thy Neighbor, by Fern Michaels.

Juvenile Non-Fiction: Crazy Horse and Custer, by S.D. Nelson.

Biography: The Hag, by Marc Eliot.

Movies: Star Wars III; Men In Black II; Rio 2; JAG, Season 1; Taken, 2 & 3; X-Men Origins; Turn, Season 1; Clear and Present Danger; Penguins of Madagascar; Barbie, A Christmas Carol; The White Queen; The Smurfs Collection; Last Vegas; The Proposal; National Treasure; The Land Before Time; ParaNorman; Hotel Transylvania; Covert Affairs, Season 1; How to Train Your Dragon.

Voting is a right and a privilege. Take this opportunity to have a say in who you want to see as your representative.

Be positive and cast your ballot. Every vote counts. It's a privilege and honor to serve you.

Paid for by Horst Motz, Board of Ed Candidate

SLIDING FEE PROGRAM



A sliding fee program is available at MHHS regardless of your ability to pay.

The Sliding Fee program is a program that reduces the cost of clinic office visits, laboratory and limited radiology and respiratory services. To qualify you must meet federal income guidelines. For more information contact Janet Heiney at 304-354-5972.



WEST VIRGINIA CORONAVIRUS UPDATE



Statistics:

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

2020	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
2021					
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. 29	270,984	3,957,070	4,426	6.4	10.8
Nov. 30	294,794	4,235,663	4,868^	6.5	9.1
Dec. 30	328,162	4,537,412	5,336	6.7	19.3
2022					
Jan. 31	446,771	4,959,152	5,763	8.3	21.6
Feb. 28	490,111	5,221,878	6,317	8.6	8.3
Mar. 1	490,544	5,226,059	6,339	8.6	5.5
Mar. 2	491,042	5,233,988	6,381^	8.6	6.9
Mar. 3	491,698	5,242,146	6,427^	8.6	4.4
Mar. 4	492,276	5,255,874	6,440	8.6	5.3
Mar. 7	493,361	5,274,314	6,452	8.6	5.7
Mar. 8	493,653	5,278,200	6,470	8.6	3.2
Mar. 9	494,030	5,286,028	6,488	8.5	2.7
Mar. 10	494,406	5,297,415	6,544^	8.5	2.9
Mar. 11	494,875	5,306,734	6,550	8.5	4.0
Mar. 14	495,539	5,324,209	6,559	8.5	3.8
Mar. 15	495,728	5,327,622	6,598^	8.5	2.5
Mar. 16	495,960	5,334,136	6,622	8.5	2.2
Mar. 17	496,182	5,343,169	6,635^	8.5	2.0
Mar. 18	496,409	5,352,908	6,646	8.5	2.7
Mar. 21	496,748	5,366,733	6,651	8.5	1.6
Mar. 22	496,838	5,370,813	6,660	8.5	1.6
Mar. 23	496,983	5,377,411	6,680	8.5	1.3
Mar. 24	497,111	5,385,464	6,687	8.5	1.7
Mar. 25	497,230	5,392,881	6,739^	8.5	2.1
Mar. 28	497,459	5,406,490	6,743	8.4	2.4
Mar. 29	497,553	5,409,857	6,794^	8.4	1.8
Mar. 30	497,681	5,415,108	6,823^	8.4	1.3
Mar. 31	497,769	5,422,855	6,831	8.4	1.2
Apr. 1	497,864	5,428,853	6,835	8.4	1.5
Apr. 4	498,035	5,441,070	6,839	8.4	2.0
Apr. 5	498,128	5,444,526	6,716^	8.4	1.8
Apr. 6	498,235	5,449,931	6,741^	8.4	1.1
Apr. 7	498,322	5,456,225	6,749^	8.4	1.6
Apr. 8	498,414	5,461,366	6,753	8.4	2.7
Apr. 11	498,542	5,472,690	6,755	8.4	1.9
Apr. 12	498,618	5,475,999	6,774^	8.3	1.7
Apr. 13	498,643	5,481,150	6,777	8.3	2.0
Apr. 14	498,773	5,486,554	6,791^	8.3	2.6
Apr. 15	498,890	5,491,043	6,794	8.3	3.4
Apr. 18	499,193	5,500,300	6,796	8.3	3.0
Apr. 19	499,288	5,503,186	6,804^	8.3	2.8

*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, or decreases determined via certificate error.
`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 (4,789), Berkeley (35,735), Boone (6,568), Braxton (3,901), Brooke (5,014), Cabell (27,467), Calhoun (1,837), Clay (2,340), Doddridge (2,151), Fayette (13,065), Gilmer (2,093), Grant (3,773), Greenbrier (9,518), Hampshire (5,837), Hancock (6,710), Hardy (4,179), Harrison (19,832), Jackson (6,883), Jefferson (14,239), Kanawha (47,151), Lewis (5,316), Lincoln (5,525), Logan (9,589), Marion (15,007), Marshall (8,950), Mason (6,651), McDowell (5,613), Mercer (17,023), Mineral (7,861), Mingo (7,935), Monongalia (24,685), Monroe (4,175), Morgan (4,253), Nicholas (7,307), Ohio (11,070), Pendleton (2,059), Pleasants (2,065), Pocahontas (2,014), Preston (9,277), Putnam (16,691), Raleigh (22,720), Randolph (9,412), Ritchie (2,446), Roane (3,164), Summers (2,806), Taylor (4,520), Tucker (1,999), Tyler (2,201), Upshur (6,822), Wayne (9,819), Webster (2,260), Wetzel (4,337), Wirt (1,447), Wood (22,191), Wyoming (7,001).

Calhoun was 53rd of 55 counties to record a case; Calhoun and Webster, last counties to hit 100 positive cases, Dec. 10, 2020; Calhoun last county to 200 cases, Jan. 23, 2021; last to 300, May 6; last to 400, July 22; last to 500, Sept. 1; last to 600, Sept. 6; last to 700, Sept. 13; last to 800, Sept. 27; last to 900, Oct. 21; 54th to 1,000, Nov. 13; 54th county to reach 1,100 cases on Dec. 7; 54th county to reach 1,200 cases on Dec. 23; 1,300, Jan. 11, 2022; 1,400, Jan. 19; 1,500, Jan. 25; 1,600, Feb. 2; 1,700, Feb. 10; 54th to 1,800, Mar. 3. Calhoun's first COVID-19 death reported on May 26, 2021, as a 74-year-old woman; second, Sept. 15, 2021, woman, 73; third, Sept. 29, man, 79; fourth, Sept. 30, man, 73; fifth, Nov. 1, woman, 73; sixth, Nov. 23, woman, 86; seventh, Dec. 1, female, 56; eighth, Dec. 6, female, 92; ninth Dec. 7, male, 93; 10th, Jan. 21, 2022, female, 80; 11th, Feb. 9, female, 50; 12th, Feb. 24, female, 71; 13th, Mar. 2, male, 40.

In United States: Each Monday since Mar. 16, 2020, plus last nine days

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Creston News

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Rev. Craig Blankenship brought the Easter message at Burning Springs M.E. Church. The Elizabeth church had a sunrise service.

Spring is proceeding normally in and around Creston, with baby kittens, whip-poor-wills, trilliums, phlox, anemone, and the invasive garlic mustard that needs to be pulled up by the roots.

This invasive pest puts toxic chemicals in the soil, just like the Japanese stilt grass that inhibits native plants.

Along I-79 south of

Sutton, the red bud is spectacular, almost worth a trip to see it. One can stop by at Flatwoods and pick up some Fiesta ware --West Virginia made plates, cups, saucers, pitchers--if one cannot get to the factory in Newell.

One local fellow visited two alignment specialists. On Friday morning, it was Galen's, and in the afternoon, it was a call on Dr. Bill Johnson. Both chariot and driver are back in line.

A big crowd was on hand for the Creston food pantry. Easter hams were

provided. 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.

2020	Positive	Deaths	Positive	Deaths
Mar. 30	164,610	3,170	800,049	38,714
Apr. 27	987,916	55,425	3,014,808	207,904
May 25	1,688,739	99,356	5,482,990	347,162
June 29	2,637,909	128,452	10,234,889	505,144
July 27	4,373,561	149,856	16,429,464	653,266
Aug. 31	6,175,600	187,232	25,417,858	852,100
Sept.28	7,321,465	209,454	33,332,536	1,003,542
Oct. 26	8,890,481	230,512	43,383,433	1,160,977
Nov.30	13,755,039	273,130	63,236,339	1,468,737
Dec.28	19,579,987	341,187	81,293,122	1,775,977

Jan. 25	25,705,299	429,511	99,917,297	2,142,799
Feb.22	28,767,835	511,302	112,093,051	2,481,796
Mar.29	30,966,974	562,551	127,963,064	2,799,992
Apr.26	32,824,618	586,152	148,006,342	3,127,343
May31	34,043,110	609,544	171,180,032	3,563,041
June28	34,494,690	619,424	182,010,787	3,945,739
July 31	35,688,506	629,064	198,207,725	4,232,644
Aug.31	39,946,708	656,393	218,104,333	4,531,744
Sept.30	44,200,421	713,953	234,173,044	4,795,746
Oct.31	46,799,970	766,117	247,382,939	5,018,389
Nov.30	49,301,070	801,326	262,581,538	5,233,860
Dec.31	55,252,823	845,745	287,003,899	5,454,054

2022				
Jan.31	75,578,076	907,190	375,571,291	5,687,759
Feb.28	80,567,757	973,119	436,088,544	5,974,311
Mar. 1	80,647,343	975,150	437,410,376	5,982,191
Mar. 2	80,697,924	977,402	439,155,348	5,991,143
Mar. 3	80,770,604	979,725	440,804,765	5,999,761
Mar. 4	80,843,570	981,729	442,522,241	6,008,302
Mar. 5	80,895,651	983,486	444,144,840	6,016,400
Mar. 6	80,912,619	983,837	445,601,452	6,021,412
Mar. 7	80,917,522	984,020	446,774,474	6,026,450
Mar. 8	80,979,977	985,914	448,357,166	6,033,793
Mar. 9	81,012,955	987,615	450,177,940	6,042,940
Mar.10	81,064,103	989,473	451,085,061	6,046,877
Mar.11	81,108,786	991,260	453,646,704	6,057,253
Mar.12	81,154,960	993,044	455,848,289	6,063,880
Mar.13	81,169,534	993,693	457,015,727	6,068,127
Mar.14	81,174,677	993,811	458,212,342	6,071,087
Mar.15	81,216,268	991,038	459,926,761	6,072,638
Mar.16	81,244,936	992,302	461,935,780	6,079,016
Mar.17	81,289,602	994,739	464,344,008	6,086,620
Mar.18	81,350,883	996,072	466,057,114	6,093,014
Mar.19	81,388,590	997,136	468,427,084	6,098,874
Mar.20	81,404,135	997,845	469,717,059	6,102,605
Mar.21	81,410,101	997,933	470,740,911	6,105,914
Mar.22	81,448,402	998,840	472,415,483	6,121,975
Mar.23	81,476,269	999,792	474,363,734	6,127,594
Mar.24	81,527,329	1,001,175	476,152,339	6,133,421
Mar.25	81,565,957	1,002,256	477,938,107	6,138,790
Mar.26	81,585,641	1,002,912	478,133,907	6,142,430
Mar.27	81,610,890	1,003,198	479,623,907	6,147,750
Mar.28	81,621,888	1,003,462	481,956,352	6,152,960
Mar.29	81,658,973	1,004,244	483,343,908	6,156,646
Mar.30	81,686,628	1,005,056	485,211,584	6,162,057
Mar.31	81,740,722	1,006,445	486,702,223	6,167,304

Apr. 1	81,780,503	1,007,326	488,087,213	6,171,544
Apr. 2	81,813,515	1,007,989	489,571,930	6,175,841
Apr. 3	81,826,371	1,008,159	490,607,773	6,178,649
Apr. 4	81,832,612	1,008,198	491,232,334	6,180,406
Apr. 5	81,867,963	1,008,671	492,337,599	6,183,671
Apr. 6	81,900,012	1,009,396	493,681,152	6,187,913
Apr. 7	81,950,247	1,010,537	494,569,476	6,194,653
Apr. 8	81,988,278	1,011,096	495,999,757	6,199,792
Apr. 9	82,034,738	1,011,665	497,247,010	6,203,492
Apr.10	82,053,242	1,012,135	497,960,545	6,205,855
Apr.11	82,062,989	1,012,152	498,512,272	6,207,359
Apr.12	82,103,067	1,012,462	499,418,406	6,210,178
Apr.13	82,133,342	1,013,044	500,497,623	6,213,858
Apr.14	82,192,880	1,014,114	501,489,854	6,218,379
Apr.15	82,252,965	1,014,902	502,405,713	6,221,968
Apr.16	82,295,768	1,015,357	503,177,193	6,224,297
Apr.17	82,309,113	1,015,441	503,689,995	6,225,788
Apr.18	82,316,348	1,015,452	504,064,390	6,227,000
Apr.19	82,377,156	1,015,790	504,523,662	6,228,716

Cases by states and territories: California 9,157,755, Texas 6,785,022, Florida 5,906,352, New York 5,074,112, Illinois 3,094,485, Pennsylvania 2,797,607, Ohio 2,681,437, North Carolina 2,639,241, Georgia 2,506,634, Michigan 2,400,990, New Jersey 2,229,976, Tennessee 2,024,723,

Five Career Center Students Advance To TSA Nationals

Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center students competed at the W.Va. Technology Student Association (TSA) State Conference at Cedar Lakes, Ripley on Mar. 25-26. Results were revealed at an awards ceremony on Friday, Apr. 8.

In celebration of the second year of TSA, the Coyote Beautiful Simulated Workplace culinary team prepared pizza for all the school's TSA members.

Results for Calhoun-Gilmer students in the TSA State contests were (those placing first or second will compete nationally in June at Gaylord Texan Resort, Grapevine, Tex.):

First place: Taylor Jenkins and Riley Church, music production.

First: Riley Church, Lexi Gregory, Taylor Jenkins, Pepper McCormick and Daisy Snyder, on demand video.

First: Lexi Gregory, prepared presentation.

Second: Lexi Gregory and Pepper McCormick, debating technological issues.

Second: Pepper McCormick, extemporaneous speech.

Third: Riley Church, Lexi Gregory, Taylor Jenkins, Pepper McCormick and Daisy Snyder, digital video production.

Third: Riley Church



Left to right, Daisy Snyder, Lexi Gregory, Pepper McCormick, Riley Church and Taylor Jenkins placed first in on demand video, and will attend the National Technology Student Association Conference in Texas, and compete against high school students from the United States, Germany and Turkey.



Taylor Jenkins and Riley Church placed first in music production.

and Bryan Thomas, forensic science.

Third: Riley Church and Bryan Thomas, technology problem solving.

Fourth: Pepper McCormick, Daisy Snyder and Christian Wine, technology bowl.

Fifth: Pepper McCormick and Daisy Snyder, architectural design.

Sixth: Bryan Thomas, prepared presentation.

Virginia McCormick, lead advisor, said, "This is only the second year that Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center has had a TSA chapter, and our students have once again exceeded my wildest ex-

pectations. I am very proud to be their advisor and appreciate all of their hard work."

The TSA students expressed special thanks to assistant director Shirley Hupp for presenting awards, advisor Paul Parsons for mentoring the architectural design team, advisor Michael Jackson for use of the forensics kit,

Kris Snyder for chaperoning, judging at the conference, and transporting students, and Coyote Beautiful for preparing pizza for the members before the awards ceremony.



Lexi Gregory is congratulated by the career center's Shirley Hupp for her first place in prepared presentation.

We've Put Our Promises In Writing!

"A Promise is a Promise!"

Proverbs 22:6 . . . We believe in it . . .

We promise to provide the best in quality education in a caring, Christian environment at Little Kanawha Valley Christian School, "a promise is a promise." We've even put our promises in writing so that you, our Christian school parents, can know what to expect from your Christian school.

We promise to strive to make the most of every day and to give your student a quality education.

That means we are committed to excellence in our academics and in our life skills program. By God's grace and with His help, you'll receive a maximum effort from our highly qualified and dedicated faculty.

We promise to teach the Bible to your student every day.

God's Word is important to your home and to our Christian school, so you will not find us taking shortcuts in this area. By the way, it isn't enough to just teach the Word of God; you'll find our faculty committed to living it as examples of the believer.

We promise to have times of prayer every day.

Prayer doesn't belong in our school just for some pre-determined, scheduled time. Prayer belongs in our school whenever needs arise. This trains our children to look beyond themselves and towards the Source of our (their) faith and strength.

We promise to teach your student Biblical morality every day.

We live in a society where many young people are growing up without any direction as to right and wrong. Our children need to know God's unchanging absolutes that are taught in His Word. If they aren't taught the right way to live, the world will teach them otherwise.

We promise to teach your student the meaning of godly, Christian character. We believe in training students to be responsible, diligent, determined, decisive, loyal, punctual, grateful, truthful, forgiving, patient, serving, and kind. This is teaching that goes into the heart and mind. This is the teaching that leads to our next generation of responsible and giving community members.

We promise to support you as a parent.

The Christian school is to be an extension of the home, and we strive to train your child in the same godly way you would train him if you could be by his side every day. We will not undermine you.

We promise to keep an "open door" to you for better communication.

We value our parents' thoughts, concerns, and opinions. You'll find us willing to listen and wanting to help you as you face problems and difficulties. We are here to serve you and your family.

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Check us out at our Facebook page, Little Kanawha Valley Christian School, and at www.lkvchristianschool.com.

Also, visit www.hopescholarship.com for a tremendous opportunity of receiving a \$4,500 scholarship available to every West Virginia student who is entering kindergarten in 2022 or is currently enrolled in public school.

Open Enrollment for new students at LKVCS is available now. Curriculum costs are waived if students are enrolled prior to May 27, 2022.

We offer a Christ-centered, highly academic, and life-skill driven education to the children of our school. We surround our children with the teachings from God's Word in grades K4-12th. Children in the K4/K5 program learn their letters, sounds, blends, and numbers, along with cursive handwriting skills. That education builds to a solid foundation as they go through each grade level. Students receive a diploma upon graduation and are eligible for all the scholarships and college acceptances as any other W.Va. graduate. We are here for the families that want a Christ-centered quality education that nurtures not only what is taught within the classroom walls, but the life skills necessary to be responsible community members who will take pride in a job well-done. Our prayer and hope is that if this appears to be the place for your child and your family, you will contact us today with your questions.

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LKVCS, Inc., shall admit students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded and made to the students at this school. The school shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, athletic or any other programs administered by the school.

Career Center Students Bring Home SkillsUSA Gold & Silver

The Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center students and advisors traveled to Fairmont State University to compete in the 2022 SkillsUSA's W.Va. State Leadership & Skills Conference on Mar. 25-26.

Ryan Beron earned the State Champion Welder after placing first and earning a gold medal in welding (high school). Amber Hatfield placed second and earned a silver medal in welding (post graduate).

Others participating were Cody Blosser, 9th, automotive service technology; Zachary Brannon, Jarrid Klapka, Matthew Siers, 9th, welding fabrication team; Zenna Zwill, medical terminology; Jaiden Francis and Jacy Stehman, observers.



Shown are Amber Hatfield, silver medalist, and Ryan Beron, gold medalist, in SkillsUSA competition.

Library Hours

Calhoun County Library hours are: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Maintain social distancing when visiting library.

Mini Golf Course

Braxton County Senior Center's Mini Golf Course grand opening will be held on Thursday, Apr. 28, at 10 a.m. It is located at 23 Senior Center Dr., Sutton. For information, call 765-4090.

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Here I am, Jacob McCumbers, a Candidate for Calhoun County Commission. It is getting closer to Election Day, May 10th. This is an important day to all voters. So, I urge everyone to come out to vote. Remember, that a vote for me, would be a vote for the county to become better for all. I'll "bee" the difference.

Just to let you know, I have been trying to meet everyone in our county. I still have more to visit in the next few weeks. It is important that we all try to improve our county. Stay strong, be diligent and let's all work together.

Paid for by Democrat Candidate for Calhoun Commission, Jacob McCumbers