



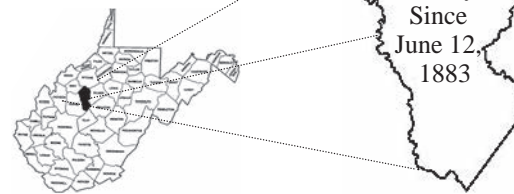
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## 21 New COVID Cases Reported; 7 Confirmed

### State Adds 4,339 Cases

Twenty-one new COVID cases were reported by Dept. of Health and Human Resources for Calhoun County in the past week.

The county was “yellow” for three days, but returned to “green” on Monday and Tuesday.

The 21 cases were up from the previous week’s six, and included seven confirmed cases and 14

probable. County deaths have remained at 15, the lowest in the state, since May 3.

Calhoun has now had 1,925 cases, with confirmed cases at 984 (the lowest in the state) and probable cases at 941.

The seven-county area had 151 new cases, more than double the 71 cases the previous week. Cases in the area now total 17,753.

Net new cases in area counties in addition to Calhoun (Continued on Page 4)

## FRN Receives \$5,000 SHF Grant

The Sisters Health Foundation has awarded grant funding to 43 non-profit organizations in the Mid-Ohio Valley in support of its vision of “healthy people in healthy communities.”

In the “Healthy Eating, Active Living” priority area, Calhoun Family Resource Network received \$5,000 to support story collection, training and advocacy toward the “Right to Food in Calhoun

County.”

“This grant cycle, it has been great to support a variety of organizations who are connecting food systems with our health-care systems through FARMacy programs and related produce prescription programs,” said SHF executive director Renee Steffen.

“These connections are a win-win for everyone involved, because we know food insecurity im-

pacts one’s health in a variety of ways.”

SHF promotes healthy and sustainable communities by providing resources, strengthening collaborative relationships and supporting initiatives that impact people in the Mid-Ohio Valley.

The total for this cycle was \$542,226. Since 1996, SHF has awarded over \$20 million in grants.

The foundation serves (Continued on Page 4)

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Wednesday, June 8

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

### Thursday, June 9

Grantsville Farmer’s Market, Wayne Underwood Field, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Continued on Page 6)

## Adult Classes Offered At C-G Center

Ken Cedar is the new Adult Education instructor at Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center.

The center’s Adult Learning Center offers:

High School Equivalency (HSE) preparation; test preparation for numerous exams; FAFSA assistance; College/Technical education prep;

Basic computer skills; computer literacy; customer service 1&2; resume writing; career explor-

ation; job searching; and interview skills and job readiness.

Cedar said, “We specialize in preparing our clients for West Virginia’s New High School Equivalency exam, the HiSET. Call today and you might have the opportunity to study at home.”

Contact numbers for information are: work, 354-6151, ext. 106; cell, 532-0912; and email, kcedar@k12.wv.us.



photos by Kevin Yeager, Jr.

## Results Listed For Wood Festival’s 5K Walk/Run

by Brenda Bush  
Calhoun County Wood Festival held its annual 5K Run/Walk on Saturday. It was a perfect morning for the event.

Overall winners (and times) were as follows:

Male Run, Danny Kargol (19:18).

Female Run, Cassy Hardbarger (29:44).

Female Walker, Andrea Fitzwater (46:07).

Male Walker: None.

The young kids were lined up in front of

Walgreen’s and ran to the courthouse. Each was presented with a medal as they finished the race.

The 5K Run/Walk was sponsored by State Farm Insurance, Tim Moore.

### Other Results

Male runners: Ages 14-under: Josh Hardbarger (22:07), Gavin Hicks (25:31), Eli Bailey (28:49).

Ages 15-20: Mark Baker (21:06), Joshua Hixon (23:19), Antonio Matteredo (32:23).

Ages 31-50: Dustin

Hardbarger (26:47), Tim Sands (45:27).

Ages 51-up: Michael Hardbarger (31:31), Bill Gardner (34:00).

Female runners: Ages 14-under: Lillian Caldwell (31:29), Temperance Caldwell (37:04).

Ages 31-50: Courtney Williams (31:54), Heather Caldwell (37:11), Bonnie Sands (45:25).

Ages 51-up: Lori Dittman (31:37).

Female walkers:



Cassy Hardbarger

Ages 21-50: Makayla Yoak (1:03.40), Kayla Ware (1:03.41).

Ages 31-50: Amy Nor-



Andrea Fitzwater

man (54:55).

Ages 51-up: Donna Jordan (47:34), Judy Wagoner (58:40).



Danny Kargol



## Scenes from the Wood Festival



## School Board Has Meeting

Superintendent Kelli Whytsell opened Monday evening's special board of education meeting with a discussion on school safety.

She explained safety features already being used and other areas where additional safety features are being put in place.

She also discussed several grants, one of which might bring back funding for a Prevention Resource Officer.

Three policy updates were approved: Personnel, "Employee Leaves and Absences"; Instruction, "Graduation Requirements," and "Dual Credit and College Classes."

A fourth policy, Finance, "Extra-Curricular/Co-Curricular Pay Schedule," is to be put out for comment again, after a discussion of the band director's salary.

The following personnel items were approved:

--Resignations: professional, Raymond Ray II, special education teacher CM/HS; Cathy Craddock, elementary teacher, CM/HS; Brittney Carter, counselor, CM/HS (non-

renewal of contract). Extracurricular, Rex Yoak, \$1 assistant varsity football coach and assistant varsity basketball coach

--Employment, professional, Kelley O'Harrow, elementary teacher, Title I, AES; Holly Wilson, multi-categorical special education, gifted/ELL, CM/HS; Terrance Madarish, social studies teacher, CM/HS; Adam O'Harrow, After School fitness and health training teacher, CM/HS; Julia Bettis, chemistry and general science, CM/HS, pending certification.

Service, Michelle Goad, multi-classified, supervisory, bus aid II, specialized health care procedures, AES; Anthony Oldham, custodian III, 2 to 10 p.m., CM/HS; Donna Hall, substitute cook and substitute custodian.

Extracurricular/supplemental, Colleen Goodrich, Hannah Wilson, \$1 assistant varsity volleyball coaches; William Snodgrass, Jeffrey Goodrich, \$1 assistant varsity football coaches, pending certifications; William Snod-

gress, \$1 assistant CMS softball coach, pending certification; Kayla Ware, \$1 assistant cross country and track coach; Kevin Cunningham, CMS head football coach; Joshua Brennan, choir director, itinerant.

Summer School: Lee Kimble, Kinder Summer Boost teacher, PHS.

The board entered into executive session. Other items on the agenda included: Employee hearing, discipline with pay, ratification of paid suspension; Expulsion hearings, 2021-22-13, 2021-22-15; County board of education self-appraisal; superintendent evaluation.

Future board of education meetings include: Monday, June 13, 5:30 p.m. CM/HS; Tuesday, July 5, 5:30 p.m., special re-organizational meeting, board office, Mt. Zion; Thursday, July 14, 5:30 p.m., board office, Mt. Zion.

### May 18 Meeting

Personnel items approved at the May 16 board of education meeting included the following:

Employment: professional, Patty Kight, long term substitute, multi-categorical, special education; service, Marisha Collins, After School cook, PHS; Jeff Brannon, After School south bus operator; summer school, Jeff Brannon, substitute bus operator; extracurricular, Zachary Yeager, assistant varsity football coach; Travis Mayle, assistant varsity football coach, pending certification; Ernest Tingler, athletic director.

## Reunions

### Hathaway

Hathaway Family Reunion will be held at the Calhoun County Park on Saturday, July 9, with lunch at noon. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be grilled and each family is to bring a drawing item and a salad or a dessert. There will be pizzas for the children.

There is a \$10 contribution for the food/drinks. Each family who is able may provide a nominal donation for rental fee of the building/park. A box will be available.

Respond to Loretta Hathaway Propst on Facebook or call 354-6293 to assure sufficient supplies are prepared. RSVP by Wednesday, June 15.

### Stump

Stump Family Reunion tentative date is Sunday, July 24. There were 12 in attendance last year. We are attempting to increase interest and attendance to determine if we should continue the costs incurred. Joanna McKown is contacting family members to determine plans to attend.

Contact Joanna or Loretta Hathaway Propst on Facebook or call 354-6293. RSVP by Saturday, June 25.

### Propst

Propst Family Reunion will be held at Nickie's Restaurant (formerly Y-Restaurant) on Saturday, Aug. 20. Menu ordering will begin at 11:30 a.m. Family photos will follow; location to be determined. No cooking, no cleaning.

RSVP to Roger Propst on Facebook or call 354-6293 by Monday, Aug. 1.

## Commission Lists Agenda

Calhoun county commission has announced the following agenda for Monday's 9 a.m. meeting in the courthouse little courtroom (also by Zoom meeting, #5936021621; password, 1234; by phone, +13126266799 or +19292056099 (both are toll free):

--Call to order.  
--Pledge of Allegiance.  
--Approve minutes: May 16.  
--Delegations/requests.  
--Reports: E-911, LEPC and OES; ambulance service; Wood Festival; CRI; Calhoun County Park; 4-H programs; FRN; home confinement; sheriff; Little Kanawha Area Development Corp.

--New business: New Business: Mid-Ohio Valley Health Dept. contract; Request from Pleasant Hill PSD, 1/3 of gravel cost, \$400; Support letter for West Virginia: Pathways of the Future Program; Approval of meeting dates, July 2022 to June 2023; Donation request for EMS.

--Old business: ARP requests; Civil Service board.

--Personnel items.  
--Appointments to boards and authorities: Rena Bowman, Library board; Carol Sloane, Solid Waste Authority; Planning commission vacancy (letter of request, Jason Arnold).

--Grants, contracts, applications and resolutions: W.Va. Local Government Election and Release form, Opioid-related claims against Endo/Par.  
--Erroneous tax assessments/consolidations.

--Fiduciary items.  
--Financial items: Financial report, May; In-house transfer #8 and resolution; E911 In-house transfer and resolution; Transfer #5 and resolution; Invoices paid, need to be approved; Stabilization fund.

--Bonds, wills, settlements and orders.

--Executive session.

--Adjournment: Next meeting is Monday, July 11.

## Morrissey Rep

W.Va. Attorney General Patrick Morrissey has announced that a representative from his office will meet with residents in June to discuss consumer-related issues and answer any potential questions.

"These public events are a great way for consumers to talk one-on-one with our consumer representatives," said Morrissey. "Residents can easily get questions answered, learn what is going on in their area, and how to keep personal information safe and secure."

Brooke Albright, consumer outreach and compliance specialist, will host the events, including on Friday, June 17, 11 a.m. to noon, in the Calhoun courthouse lobby.

For information on additional requirements specific to any location, attendees may call Albright, 777-9906.

## WIC Program

The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) nutrition program is a supplemental food program for pregnant, postpartum, or breastfeeding women, and infants and children up to the 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.

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## Youth Have Summer Camp

Calhoun Youth football players and cheerleaders are having four days of summer camp this week, under the direction of Kevin Cunningham.

Helmet fitting and football equipment handouts will be held on Wednesday, July 13, and the first day of practice for the 2022 season will be on Monday, July 18.

Pre-season and regular season contests will be held from Aug. 7-Oct. 8, with playoffs beginning for all three age divisions on Oct. 15-16.

Cheerleading competition will be held on Oct. 29 at Gilmer County. Championship games will be on Sunday, Oct. 30, at Ritchie County. All-Star game will be held on Nov. 5 at Ravenswood.



## 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.

## Golf Tournament

A golf tournament will be held on Saturday, June 11, 8 to 10 a.m., at Glenville Golf Course, as a fundraiser for the CCHS varsity football team.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

(Continued from Page 1) Middle/High School, 5:30 p.m.

Welfare of Animals Group will meet at Calhoun County Library, 6:30 p.m.

### Friday, June 10

Family History Center Museum, Main St., Grantsville, open, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Mix-It-Up Bingo, Upper West Fork Park, 6 p.m.

### Saturday, June 11

Golf tournament, Glenville Golf Course, 8 to 10 a.m.; fundraiser for CCHS varsity football team.

Wood Festival Mud Bog postponed to a later date due to unforeseen circumstances.

Ramp Dinner to raise money to feed the hungry, Brohard Community Building, 4 to 6 p.m.

### Monday, June 13

County commission meets in courthouse little courtroom and also virtually (using zoom), 9 a.m.; #5936021621, password, 1234; by phone, +13126266799 or +19292056099 (toll free).

Calhoun FRN summer feeding program for children under 18, weekdays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 364 Main St., Grantsville.

Calhoun board of education meeting, Calhoun

**Tuesday, June 14**  
Calhoun County Republican group meets at Mom's Place Too, 5 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 15**  
COVID-19 booster shots available at Minnie Hamilton Health System, weekdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call 354-9704 to schedule.

**Friday, June 17**  
Family History Center Museum, Main St., Grantsville, open, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Representative of attorney general Patrick Morrisey's office will be at Calhoun Courthouse, 11 a.m. to noon.

**Saturday, June 18**  
CCHS Class of 1968 55-year reunion planning meeting, Nickie's Place, Arnoldsburg, noon.

Spaghetti Dinner and Gospel Sing featuring Facemires and Arrows of Grace, Arnoldsburg Community Building, 4 p.m.; sponsored by W.Va. Molasses Festival pageant.

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

**Sunday, June 19**  
FATHER'S DAY.

## LETTER BOX

The second meeting of the Calhoun County Republican group was held at Mom's Place Restaurant in Grantsville on Tuesday, May 31, at 5 p.m. Attendance rose from six to 16 present.

The goal is to grow Calhoun County's Conservative Party, provide communication relative to government laws, increase ballot participation (provide GOP candidates), become more visible during the election process (i.e., signs, advertisements, support Republican candidates' values), and provide input to the State and National party affiliation.

Attending the meeting were Stewart Denobogi, Tonya Cunningham, Roger Propst, Loretta Propst, Mark Swident, Elaine Swident, Michelle Smith, Judy Wolfram, Craig Arthur, Warren Basnett, John Griffin, Michael Plato, Cheryl Plato, Shari Hardway Johnson, Aryeh White and Amanda White.

Old business discussed was the May 9, 2022, meeting prior to the Primary Election. During the discussion, the sample ballot was presented, which revealed that there was no representation of the GOP for county committee members for Calhoun.

Aryeh White had agreed to be listed as a "write-in" provision for the Male Congressional Executive Committee. He reported back that he had not been successful because of not being registered in West Virginia in sufficient time to be eligible. Opposition parties will continue to win elections, if a viable alternative candidate is not presented.

Further discussion ensued as to the distinction between a Republican Club and the county Republican Executive Committee. Roles of each were discussed, and a decision was made to have representatives of the group meet with the chairman of the county executive committee to find ways to work in concert in furthering the platform of the Republican party.

The next meeting of the group was set for Tuesday, June 14, at 5 p.m., at "Mom's Place Too."

Loretta Propst

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## DHHR Adds Child Welfare Dashboard

In an effort to make information more readily available, W.Va. Dept. of Health and Human Resources has added a child welfare dashboard to show child placements and referrals, details on workforce, and other public information.

"Child welfare continues to be a top priority for Gov. Justice and DHHR, and the implementation of this dashboard is one way that we are working to use data to improve outcomes for children," said Bill J. Crouch, DHHR cabinet secretary.

"We plan to make

changes periodically, based on feedback, to continually improve the information."

The child welfare dashboard is located at dhhr.wv.gov. It will be updated on a monthly basis.

## WAG Group

Welfare of Animals Group will meet for the first time since before COVID on Thursday, June 9, 6:30 p.m., in Calhoun County Library. According to a spokesman, "We have a lot to plan and work on, so volunteers are welcome."

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**Capito Mobile**

U.S. Sen. Shelley Moore Capito has announced new mobile office dates and locations throughout central and southern West Virginia during June.

Members of her staff will be available to provide constituents one-on-one assistance with casework and other issues that they may be experiencing with federal agencies.

Appointments are not required, but are encouraged, and they can be made by visiting Capito's mobile office page on her website.

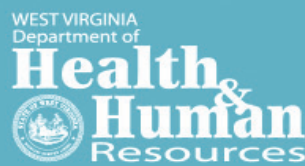
A staff member will be at Calhoun County Library on Thursday, June 9, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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# CM/HS Students Qualify To Compete At Junior High Rodeo

Wyatt and Wattson Nichols, 9th and 7th grade students at Calhoun Middle/High School, have earned positions on the W.Va. National Junior High rodeo team.

They will travel with fellow teammates to Perry, Ga., June 19-25, to compete at the 17th annual National Junior High Finals Rodeo in the chute doggin and bullriding competitions.

Featuring roughly 1,200 contestants from 43 U.S. states, five Canadian provinces, Australia, Mexico and New Zealand, NJHFR is the world's largest junior high rodeo.

In addition to competing for more than \$80,000 in prizes, contestants will also be competing for more than \$200,000 in college scholarships, and the chance to be named a National Junior High Finals Rodeo World Champion.

To earn this title, contestants must finish in the top 20--based on their combined times/scores--in the first two go-rounds to advance to Saturday evening's final round. World champions will be determined based on their three go-round combined times/scores.

Added money for the optional jackpot has increased to \$100,000, and is available to everyone at finals who enters the jackpot in their event.

The Saturday championship performance will be televised nationally as a part of the Cinch High School Rodeo Tour's telecast series on RFD-TV.

Live broadcasts of all NJHFR performances



will air on www.cow7 p.m. on June 19, and 9 boychannelplus.com/. a.m. and 7 p.m. each day Performance times are thereafter.



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