



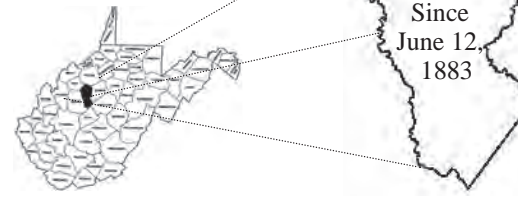
# The Calhoun Chronicle

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## and The Grantsville News

“Good Government, Pure Homes and Godly Hearts”



Whole Number 6971

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Thursday, July 7, 2022

### Eligible Child Receives \$200 Benefit School Clothing Allowance Applications Due By July 31

West Virginia Dept. of Health and Human Resources' Bureau for Family Assistance will accept School Clothing Allowance applications through Sunday, July 31, for eligible children enrolled in West Virginia schools.

Each eligible child will receive a \$200 benefit that may be used toward the purchase of appropriate school clothing or piece goods for families who sew clothing for their children.

The following groups will automatically receive clothing benefits for each school-age child in the

home by the end of June:

--Families with school-age children who currently receive W.Va. WORKS cash assistance.

--Parents or guardians of children in foster care.

--Children ages 4-18, who receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, are enrolled in school, and whose household income is under 130% of the Federal Poverty Level

Families receiving School Clothing Allowance in 2021 and currently have Medicaid coverage should have received a application by U.S. Mail in late June.

Others may be eligible for benefits based on the income limits by household size as listed below. Verification of income for July must be submitted with the application:

Income Limits for the School Clothing Allowance Program for 2022:

Number of persons in household and monthly income limit for the program for 2021 are: 1, \$1,396; 2, \$1,888; 3, \$2,379; 4, \$2,871; 5, \$3,363; 6, \$3,855; 7, \$4,347; 8, \$4,839; 9, \$5,331; 10, \$5,823.

Families may apply online at [www.wvpath.com](http://www.wvpath.com). (Continued on Page 2)

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday, July 6

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

Friday, July 8

Food giveaway, Brohard Community Building, 4 to 5 p.m.; sponsored by Strait Creek Baptist.

Saturday, July 9

Hathaway Family Reunion, Calhoun County Park, lunch at noon.

Creston Community Building homecoming and community picnic, 2 p.m.

Sunday, July 10

Vocational Bible (Continued on Page 2)

### Confirmed, Probable Cases Comes to 31.8% Of County Residents

According to figures announced by Dept. of Health and Human Resources, Calhoun County has now had 1,007 confirmed COVID-19 cases and 976 probable cases for a total of 1,983.

New cases decreased from 21 the previous

week to nine this week (three confirmed and six probable).

According to U.S. Census Bureau, the 2020 population of Calhoun was 6,229 (see chart on Page 2), which means that 31.8 percent of the county's population has now had the coronavirus confirmed or probable.

Percentage for surrounding counties are as follows: Braxton, 33.8; Clay, 30.2; Gilmer, 29.9; Ritchie, 30.4; Roane, 24.9; Wirt, 29.1.

West Virginia is at 29.8 and the U.S. is at 27.0.

The county returned to green on Tuesday, after being yellow for eight days. Confirmed cases remain the lowest of all counties, and probable cases remain the highest percentage in West Virginia.

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

The seven-county area had 163 cases, one more than last week. Cases in the area now total 18,400.

Net new cases in area counties, in addition to Calhoun, in the last week (and county totals/deaths) are: Braxton, 73 (4,208/45); Roane, 34 (3,489/37); Clay, 15 (2,433/46); Gilmer, 15 (2,212/19); Wirt, 9 (1,510/25); and Ritchie, 8 (2,565/31).

The daily percent positivity for West Virginia has averaged 11.1 percent other the past week.

New West Virginia cases were 4,032, up from 3,739, 3,561 and 3,612 (Continued on Page 2)

### 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: June 13.

--Delegations/requests.  
--Reports: E-911, LEPC and OES; ambulance service; Wood Festival; CRI; Calhoun County Park; FRN; home confinement; sheriff; Little Kanawha Area Development Corp.

--New business: Mt. Zion PSD request.

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

--Personnel items.

--Appointments to boards and authorities: Joseph Justice, Pleasant Hill PSD board; Lori Garrett, Mt. Zion PSD board.

--Grants, contracts, applications and resolutions.  
--Erroneous tax assessments/consolidations.

--Fiduciary items.  
--Financial items:

Financial report, June; budget revisions, general fund #1 and coal severance #1; invoices paid, need to be approved.

--Bonds, wills, settlements and orders.

--Executive session.

--Adjournment: Next meeting is Monday, Aug. 8, at 9 a.m.

### Food Giveaway

Food giveaway will be held at Brohard Community Building on Friday, July 8, from 4 to 5 p.m. It is sponsored by Strait Creek Baptist Church. For information, call Shelly Murphy, 354-6739.



The water slide was a popular event at Calhoun County Park's Fourth of July celebration on Monday.



Khloe Cobbett (left) and Klyynn Keith find their first clue for Calhoun Historical Society's "Raid On Ripley" escape room on Monday at Heritage Village. They completed their mission.

# OBITUARIES

## GWENDOLYN GAY JONES

Gwendolyn Gay Jones, 75, of Harrisville, died Thursday, June 30, 2022, at Camden Clark Medical Center, Parkersburg.

She was born in Harrisville, the daughter of the late Leonard John and Loretta Gay Sager Cunningham. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her husband of 40 years, Gail Ray Jones; four children, Nancy Norman of Pennsboro, Larry Simmons, Jr., of Petroleum, Loretta Gandee of Charleston and Roger Simmons of Harrisville; seven siblings, Helen Ford of Stumptown, Ruth Howell of Smithville, Waitman Sager and Ronald Cunningham, both of Ohio, Marvin Cunningham of Hazelgreen, and Quentin Cunningham and Carol Gribble, both of Harrisville; eight grandchildren, Amanda Brundage, Samantha Norman, Tiffany Radabaugh, Amelia Gandee, Denise Pauley, David Simmons, Larry Simmons III and Pebbles Simmons; eight great-grandchildren, Jadon, Landyn and Shaylynn Carpenter, Jay Cee, Jaylynn and Jordan Norman, Jaxon Radabaugh and Ava Pauley; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one son, Phillip Simmons; one sister, Opal Clevenger; one grandson, Jordan Norman; and one great-granddaughter, Mylynn Carpenter.

Services were scheduled Wednesday, 11 a.m., at Raiguel Funeral Home, Harrisville, with burial in Harrisville IOOF Cemetery. Visitation was scheduled Wednesday, 9 to 11 a.m., at the funeral home. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mcculloughraiguelfuneralhome.com](http://www.mcculloughraiguelfuneralhome.com).



# From the PSC

by Charlotte Lane,  
Chairman of Public Service Commission

## Now is the Time to Sign Up For Budget Payment Plans

It is all over the news: inflation and unexpected high bills. We are all experiencing significant financial uncertainty with rising prices, supply chain issues, COVID-19, and other challenging disruptions around the world.

Unexpected world events can cause supply interruptions of oil, gasoline, coal, natural gas, liquefied natural gas, and propane. We all see how this financial uncertainty affects our own household expenses, so it's not surprising these events also affect our utility providers.

Natural gas utilities are required to file 30C cases with the commission each year to reflect changes in the purchased gas components of their rates.

Those cases are due to be filed the first of August. All indications are that the cost utilities are paying for natural gas is three times higher than they were the first of this year. That is a 300% increase.

Unfortunately an increase in gas utility bills is unavoidable this year, but there is something you can do to lessen the sting.

Most of the natural gas utility companies in the state offer some sort of budget payment plan. When you sign up, the company will look at your gas usage over the past 12 months, normalize the usage based on weather experiences and calculate an average monthly bill for you based on the company's current rates.

That monthly payment will be modified from time to time, based on changes in weather, your consumption, and utility rate changes.

Budget billing plans allow you to avoid the stress of unexpected, extraordinarily high bills. More predictable bills make budgeting easier.

Budget payment plans are an optional tool offered by the utility companies. If you do enroll, you must make your payments on time to continue to stay on the plan and avoid a late charge.

I participate in the budget payment plan offered by my utility provider. It may be worthwhile for you to explore, too. This one act of planning can add some certainty in our uncertain world.

# Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

Independence Day has passed us by once again, but the insanity that seems to be running rampant in our great nation reared its ugly head during a Fourth of July parade in Illinois.

I cannot figure out what makes people do these crazy things, or how do friends and family miss the signs that the young man must have been exhibiting, and report him to the authorities, so that he could have gotten the mental help that he so desperately needed.

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Everyone who loves America and all of the freedoms that we take for granted needs to pay close attention to the U.S. House Select Committee on the Jan. 6 attack hearings.

We know how we got here and we all need to pull together to ensure that we never find ourselves going through the madness again.

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On Monday night, I dreamed of hiking through the high country of the Dolly Sods wilderness. I have no idea why, since I was only there a couple of times, many years in the past. It is the type of place that will haunt your memories, no matter what time of year you visit.

In the dream, I was sitting on a rock and watching the sun set, just beneath a layer of distant clouds to the west. Once the sun's disk dropped below the cloud layer, the underside of the clouds looked as if they had caught on fire.

The colors were so intense that I found myself staring off into the distance, mesmerized, as I watched the spectacle slowly fade to black and white.

I woke up when the sun had finally set, and I hope to see that beautiful sight again someday.

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Our dog Brownie has been barking from the inside of our house at night, telling me that it was time to bring in the bird feeders and corn cob (if there is anything left on it), because the raccoons were out there feasting on the bounty.

I do go out and retrieve the feeders, but not before I put Brownie on her leash and take her to the deck where the feeders are. She doesn't bite the

'coons, or get bit by them, but she surely scares the daylight out of them.

Sunday night, when she went around the corner, there were three 'coons sitting there, partying around the feeders and throwing sunflower seeds up into the air.

Once they were over their initial panic, one leaped onto the nearby butternut limb and ran full-tilt to the trunk of the tree and down to the ground.

Number two ran like his tail was on fire off of the deck, across the back yard into the woods, and the third one took a dive, 12 feet from the deck to the ground.

I did not see him hit the ground, but I did see him scurry down to the creek bed, up the other side into the woods, relatively unharmed.

During this whole time, I heard the little owlets from the trees surrounding our house.

The bad thing about these raccoons is that if I forget to bring in the bird feeders, and then when I retrieve them and the 'coons have their nighttime gorging interrupted, they get very vindictive and destructive.

They knock things over, dig up Jeanne's flowers, and just generally are a pain in the butt.

Speaking of pain in the butt, that is precisely what they are going to start feeling, if they continue in their wicked ways. I happen to have what is known as a "wrist rocket" sling shot with triple tubing.

It uses a small steel ball as the projectile, and I can control the amount of force to be applied to the 'coon's behind.

I have no intention of causing any bodily harm to the little trash pandas. I just want them to take our house off of the dinner tour. As this has worked in the past, I feel certain that it will prove effective again.

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Although we live more than a mile from the river, we still have seen very large hard-shell turtles passing by, slowly walking in the creek bed or lying flat, looking like a round rock that can suddenly spring out legs, and go quickly for a few feet. River turtles ramble. I have seen them living in ponds on ridge tops.

# Clothing Allowance--

(Continued from Page 1) choice of vendors when org or request a paper purchasing school clothing application be mailed by contacting their local DHHR office, 354-6118, or by calling 1-877-716-1212. Applications must be received by July 31.

School Clothing Allowance recipients will receive an Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card in place of the traditional paper voucher.

The system change was implemented in 2021 to allow for both online transactions and increased

choice of vendors when purchasing school clothing or piece goods.

The EBT card will operate like a debit card and can be used at any retailer who accepts EBT cash transactions. Parents or guardians of children in foster care will receive the School Clothing Allowance benefit as a check.

If you need to update your address, go to [www.wvpath.org](http://www.wvpath.org) or call DHHR's Customer Service Center, 1-877-716-1212.

# 67th Anniversary



Jimmie and Evelyn Belle Yoak McCormick will celebrate their 67th wedding anniversary on Sunday, July 10, 2022. They reside at Phillips Run and were married on July 10, 1955, at the home of her parents, Loyal and Monnie Fortney Yoak of Norman Ridge.

# Confirmed, Probable--

(Continued from Page 1) the previous three weeks. Total cases during the pandemic are 535,208.

The number of deaths reported by DHHR in the past week was 12. Total deaths in West Virginia are 7,069.

The number of new cases in the United States was 739,557, a decrease from last week's 790,213. Total cases since the pandemic began are 89,533,825.

New deaths in the U.S. were 2,515, an increase from 2,482, 2,476, 2,256, 2,318 and 2,349 other the last five weeks. Total deaths are 1,043,320.

New weekly worldwide cases were 10,290,330, more than double any of the last five weeks of 4,607,557, 3,569,706, 3,578,915, 3,312,564 and 3,130,651. Since the pandemic began, worldwide cases reported total 554,074,747.

Worldwide deaths in the last week were 10,602, up from 10,073 and 9,665 the previous two weeks. Total deaths from the pandemic

are 6,367,563.

DHHR reported that 982,690 West Virginia residents have been fully vaccinated (54.8%), an increase of 723 in the last week.

There have been 520,896 booster shots given, an increase of 3,318 from last week.

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School, "Knights of North Castle, Quest for the King's Armor," begins at Cornerstone Praise & Worship, 6 to 7:30 p.m., through July 13.

**Monday, July 11**  
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).

**Tuesday, July 12**  
Sports physicals, CM/HS School-Based Health Clinic; call 354-9732 or 354-9244 for an appointment, or email [calhounsbh@mhhs.healthcare](mailto:calhounsbh@mhhs.healthcare).

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Calhoun Youth helmet fittings and football equipment handouts, CM/HS practice field, 5 to 5:40 p.m. for C team players; 5:40 to 6:20 for B team; and 6:20 to 7:00 for A team.

# SPECIAL EVENTS

## Thursday, July 14

Calhoun County High School will host Glenville State University coach for volleyball camp, grades 9th-to-12th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; form reprinted inside this issue.

Calhoun board of education meeting, board office, Mt. Zion, 5:30 p.m.

## Saturday, July 16

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

## Bethlehem

Mowing and general upkeep is underway at Bethlehem Cemetery.

Our only means of support is through donations from families of loved ones who are interred there.

We thank all of you for your never-ending support.

Send donations to Bethlehem Cemetery, c/o Richard Jarvis, P.O. Box 560, Grantsville, WV 26147.

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## Census Data for Calhoun and Surrounding Counties

	Population 2010	Population 2020	Persons Lost	% Lost-Gain	New Population Rank In State
Calhoun	7,627	6,229	1,398	-18.3%	53rd
Braxton	14,523	12,447	2,076	-14.3%	40th
Clay	9,386	8,051	1,335	-14.2%	47th
Gilmer	8,693	7,408	1,285	-14.8%	51st
Ritchie	10,449	8,444	2,005	-19.2%	44th
Roane	14,926	14,028	898	- 6.0%	39th
Wirt	5,717	5,194	523	- 9.1%	55th
W.Va.	1,852,994	1,793,716	59,278	- 3.2%	
U.S.	308,745,538	331,449,281	22,703,743	+ 7.4%	

# This Week In History

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

## 1922, 100 years ago

Will Hosey, industrious farmer and excellent citizen of Big Root, was a pleasant caller at the Chronicle office on Saturday. He informs us that the recent hailstorm played havoc with his crops.

John W. Yoak, who recently completed a very successful term of summer school at Amma, Roane County, spent a few days visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.T. Yoak of Ayers. He has returned to Clendenin, where he will be employed this summer, returning in September to teach the graded school at Brooksville.

J. Elmer Hall of Walnut, secretary treasurer of Calhoun County Farm Loan Association, was here several days attending to business matters. He has recently put through several loans for farmers in this county and has several more on the way, also several new applications. The association will prove to be one of the best things for farmers ever organized in the county, we verily believe.

Miss Abby Fowler, R.N., of Huntington, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. Hagan T. Francis.

The board of directors of Calhoun County High School decided at its last meeting to start high school work in the first and second years in rooms in the courthouse and to continue there until the new building is ready for occupancy. The board cannot be too highly commended for this action. Had the school been delayed for another year, a large number of boys and girls would have had no chance to start their high school education, and there has been too much delay in such matters heretofore.

The board has contracted with Prof. Charles Kislig, former principal of Tyler County High School, and recognized as one of the best high school men in the state, to take the principalship of the local high school. He will arrive here early in July and start the organization work for the new school. Courses will be outlined, policies made and other details made, all of which will be given full publicity in the columns of this paper.

We have complained about school conditions in this county long enough. We have a promise of better things now, and it is up to us all to get behind the board and its newly hired principal, and give everything required of us to make the school successful.

## 1947, 75 years ago

It is expected that 100 4-H club members and leaders will attend the 1947 Calhoun county 4-H camp, which will be held in the high school property at Grantsville from July 21-25. The children will be comfortably housed and have excellent opportunities for instruction and play.

Several adults will be in attendance, including the extension workers, a state worker, and several 4-H leaders.

Classes will include safety, forestry, and soil conservation, food preparation, rope making, copper, felt and cork crafts, leather craft, music, games, charting, etc. Mornings will be given over to classes, afternoons to recreation, and evenings to vespers, council circles, and other entertainment.

Meals should be excellent, with the food coming from the farms, by the children, and prepared under the direction of Lorena Kelly, Philips Run 4-H leader and high school cook.

Camp opens on Monday afternoon, July 21, the children arriving between 2 and 4 p.m. on that day. It closes after the evening program on Friday, when parents may take the children home.

No provision will be made for the children to sleep at camp on Friday night. Clubs furnish their own transportation to and from the camp.

The location of the 1947 camp was determined through a conference of a county committee, representing the three branches of the extension program, and the county board of education.

The camp program was planned at a recent meeting of the county 4-H leaders association, a sub-committee of which prepared the food list and the enrollment fee of \$2.50, plus food, or a fee of \$7 without food.

## 1972, 50 years ago

The Calhoun board of education met on Wednesday evening for a busy session.

Billy Joe Grass of Hurricane was employed as new principal of Calhoun County High School. He was one of 13 applicants for the job, and, after some initial screening, the field was narrowed down to five, with those five brought back for interviews by the board, with Grass as the final selection.

A graduate of Marshall University, Grass has been most recently employed in a special position at Hurricane High School, as director of human resource personnel. He has had experience as both a principal and vice principal, as has served in various administrative positions.

Superintendent Paul Siegrist said he was "very highly qualified, with a diversified background," and that he was "pleased to welcome him to the Calhoun school system." He is 35 years old, and he and his wife have a daughter, age 14, and a son, age 12. He will report for work on July 17. His employment is on a 12-month basis.

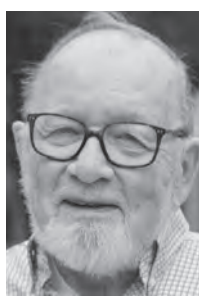
At her request, Jackie Blankenship was named band instructor for the grade schools, according to Siegrist, this leading to the employment of a new high school band director, Eugene Durazio, of Follansbee. A graduate of West Liberty State College, Durazio is to start July 16, so that both he and Blankenship can be present at the summer band camp.

Although his name is similar to that of attorney Stanley D'Orazio of Grantsville, the new band instructor is not connected with the local family. Durazio is a graduate of Follansbee High School in the Class of 1967, where he was a student band director.

Larry Grzyb was employed as recreation director, replacing Mark Shock, who has accepted employment

# CURIOSITY CORNER

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



**Question:** Why does the operation of a diesel-powered vehicle make sense when the cost of diesel fuel exceeds that of gasoline? (Asked by a curious motorist via cyberspace.)

**Reply:** First, some background. The diesel engine was invented by Rudolf Diesel in 1892. When diesel fuel is burned in the engine, there is a different combustion process than in the gasoline engine. In the latter, air and gasoline are mixed and ignited with an electric spark (from a spark plug).

In the diesel engine, fuel is brought into the top of the combustion cylinder and compressed to where it heats up to a fuel ignition temperature. The diesel fuel is then injected as a small mist. It is ignited by the compressed superheated air and a piston is pushed down by the explosion. This is a much more efficient process than in the gasoline engine, not wasting gas by mixing at the beginning.

Because of the chemical makeup, diesel fuel provides more energy than gasoline on the order of 20 percent more per gallon. Diesel fuel generally costs more per gallon, so what is gained by additional energy may be given up in price. On a mileage basis, diesel will take you farther than the same size tank of gasoline with similar loads. (Diesel engines are generally heavier than gasoline engines.)

An advantage of the high compression of a diesel is that it doesn't need time to produce ample power. This allows the diesel to work better with heavy loads, and it is used in trucks and industrial applications. Heavy trucks (semi-trailers) on the highways are almost exclusively diesel., but when it comes to acceleration, gasoline vehicles win hands down.

Emissions are also a disadvantage. They stink, and contain soot, but produce less carbon dioxide (CO2) than gasoline engines. Another problem is noise, although designs (particularly in cars) have reduced this, and emission filters are required. The use of biodiesel fuel, made from plant oils and animal fats, also reduces pollution.

So basically, it's a tossup between diesel and gasoline, which depends on the driver's preferences. You have to choose in terms of power, performance, acceleration, mileage and cost. Good luck!

**C.P.S. (Curious Postscript):** "Some men are wise, and some are otherwise." --Tobias Smollett.

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

in Pendleton County.

Susan Cain was employed as secretary at Brooksville School, under EEA. Christine Fay Spears was employed for the Opportunity class, ESEA Title I for Arnoldsburg School. Rebecca Lothes was employed for Early Childhood Education, and Mildred Smith was employed as EEA custodian, replacing Shirley Hosey, who had resigned.

Bradford Wilson was employed as the ESEA Title I school nurse. He is replacing Nita Reese as traveling school nurse, while she moved to a new position as teacher of a class in nurse's aide.

The new program will be offered at Calhoun County High School, in cooperation with Calhoun General Hospital. There will be two classes of 15 students each. It is open for high school students, being funded for \$15,859 in special funds.

Another new program, funded for \$32,853, is to be offered for CCHS, in occupational preparation for general building repairs and maintenance. The class will have both an instructor and aide, and will be offered to 30 students.

In addition to funds for the teacher and aide, the program calls for \$5,000 for equipment and supplies, and \$2,000 for travel and special projects. Selection of teacher and aide has not yet been completed.

Siegrist announced funding in the amount of \$24,475 for Early Childhood Education, for three centers to teach five-year-olds. Centers will be at Cabot Station and Arnoldsburg, and a third site to be determined by enrollment, at Grantsville, Minnora or Brooksville.

Placement of principals was made at the board meeting. Roscoe Gainer was placed at Arnoldsburg, Rufus Stemple at Brooksville, Frank Lee at Grantsville, and Emmons Smith at Minnora. Open for assignment are Bell, Orma and Russett.

Resignations accepted by the board were: Harry Bryner, bus driver; Bernetta Yoak, secretary at Brooksville; Harry Nichols, driver's education teacher; Mark Shock, recreation director; Linda Shock, teacher at Arnoldsburg; and Lois Marks, who had been employed at Arnoldsburg.

The board has received funds in the amount of \$34,949 for special education under Title 6, allowing employment of two speech and hearing clinicians.

Pam Burgess was employed as one of those clinicians, to start work on Aug. 30. Mrs. Burgess holds a master's degree from West Virginia University, and her husband has already been employed as baseball coach at CCHS. They are moving to the Holiday property on Mill St.

The board took action to return a very small tract of land to Udell Ferrell, which had been the site of Lower White Pine School, next to Cherry Fork Church. The property had been deeded to the board of education in 1893 by E.W. Gainer for \$2. There has been no school on this site for many years.

The superintendent was directed to seek bids on roof repairs on several buildings, and also bids on insurance.

There was some discussion at the board meeting about the Arnoldsburg bridge situation, and the project of vocational education on a two-county basis.

Siegrist is attending the state superintendents' meeting at Jackson's Mill this week.



# This Week In West Virginia History

The following events happened from July 7-13 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia's people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit [www.wvencyclopedia.org](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).



July 7, 1928: The Madonna of the Trail monument was dedicated in Wheeling. It is one of the 12 such statues erected along the National Road to honor America's pioneering women.



July 8, 1894: Walter Aegerter was born in Helvetia. An amateur photographer, he built both a studio and dark-room on his farm and photographed portraits, families, celebrations, and everyday scenes of the German Swiss settlement. The glass plate negatives survive today in several archived collections.



July 8, 1924: Rock 'n' roll pioneer Johnnie Johnson was born in Fairmont. He collaborated with Chuck Berry on songs such as "Roll Over, Beethoven." Berry's hit "Johnny B. Goode" was written as a tribute to Johnson.

July 8, 1961: Sutton Dam (shown below) was dedicated by Gov. Wally Barron. The Army Corps of Engineers operates it for purposes of flood control,



Sutton Dam was dedicated on July 8, 1961.

low-flow augmentation, and recreation.

July 9, 1942: An explosion at Pursglove No. 2 Mine at Scotts Run, near Morgantown, killed 20 men. It was one of three fatal accidents at the mining operation in an eight-month period.

July 10, 1769: Physician Jesse Bennet was born. He performed the first successful caesarian section in America in 1794, on his own wife, without proper equipment and with no antiseptics. He later established a large practice in Mason County and served as an Army surgeon in the War of 1812.

July 10, 1936: The temperature in Martinsburg reached 112 degrees. It tied the record for hottest temperature on record, which had been set Aug. 4, 1930, at Moorefield.



July 11, 1867: John Jacob Cornwell was born on a farm in Ritchie County. He served as the 15th governor of West Virginia.

July 11, 1976: Gov. Arch Moore dedicated the West Virginia Culture Center. The structure was built to showcase the Mountain State's artistic, cultural, and historic heritage.



July 12, 2003: The Clay Center for the Arts & Sciences in downtown Charleston opened to the public. More than 50,000 schoolchildren from 50 West Virginia counties, and 21 counties in surrounding states, visit the center each year.

July 13, 1861: The Battle of Corricks Ford took place in Tucker County. Confederate Gen. Robert S. Garnett was killed. He was the first Confederate general killed in the Civil War.

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## My Home Among the Hills

by Melody Walburn



Slow down, Summer, I beg you! With a great sigh, I turned the calendar on my fridge from June to July and kissed half of my summer vacation goodbye. Time stops for no man or woman, even a teacher who loves her break. Oh well, I still have a month left, and lots of fun activities and events to look forward to in that time.

I finally got around to cleaning out the closet in my green guest room. You wouldn't know to look at it, but that closet is deep and actually has three shelves to the left as you walk in. I was so naïve when I moved into my home among the hills.

I remember thinking the closets in my two guest bedrooms would be mostly empty. How wrong I was! I have managed to fill them and then some. Those three shelves I mentioned earlier are great places to store stuff until I have time to figure out what to do with it.

I figured that while I was working on the main closet in the green room, I would clean out the small one too. My goal was to clean off the top shelf in there for guests to use. I store my purses, bags, backpack, and duffle bags in this closet, and these had gradually spread out over the whole space. I went through these items, pulled some out to donate to a yard sale, and then consolidated the rest onto the big bottom shelf.

They are still easily accessible, but out of the way until needed. I use the second shelf to store boxes, gift bags, tissue paper, and ribbons. This shelf had also gotten a bit out of control and needed some serious organizing.

Once the small closet was tidy, I turned my attention to the big one. I decided to just empty the whole thing out onto the bed and window seat, and then decide what got to go back in, what needed to be donated, what needed to find a new home, and what needed to be thrown out. It took me about two hours to complete the task, but I am happy to say that I can finally cross that task off my to-do list.

I finished my morning by pulling out my two-drawer filing cabinet and going through it. It has been a long time since I have done this, so I had quite a few things to file. There are a number of folders in there that have reached the point where I could shred the contents, but I will need to obtain a shredder to do so, and that is not a high priority at the moment. My organized filing cabinet went into my organized closet, and I called it a day. Once I get my basement in shape, I will be good to go.

Maricia and I are still trying to exercise, but this hot and humid weather is not making it easy. We did manage to squeeze in a walk at the park on one of the cooler days last week. We took Dad and Rascal along with us. That little dog loves being outside and can walk a good distance on his little legs.

We walked from Heritage Village to the new cabin and back. It was about two miles, and much more enjoyable than walking on a treadmill. In addition to the walking, we also played a few games of pickle ball. I wish I could say that I am getting better, but I am not a liar.

I did some more reading this week too. I returned to the library on Monday and checked out three more books. Two were mysteries and one was what is called a "beach read." All three were good reads, and I finished them by Saturday. Being able to read for pure pleasure is one of my favorite parts of summer, and I plan to do a lot more of it before August rolls around.

On Friday, Maricia and I made a quick trip to Marietta to return the sample book to the company that is making the awning for the history museum. I drove through some really heavy rain, but it cleared off by the time we reached our destination. The employees were very helpful, and we were able to complete our color choices in a short amount of time. We treated ourselves to frozen coffees from a store called Stoked Coffee. I ordered a white mocha, and it was well worth all of the calories.

I had a quiet weekend, and I am planning to spend some of my Fourth of July at Calhoun County Park. The historical society will have Heritage Village open for visitors to tour, so I will be donning my green T-shirt and helping with that. I'm hoping some of our visitors will want to take part in our History Mystery while they are in the village. I plan to stick around to hear some music and see the fireworks too. I love our park!

## 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)

The following are entries from Michael's diary. He was serving under Union Gen. George Crook.

#### A Sunday in Camp

From the diary of one of Crooks Raiders. Sunday May 29th [1864]:

The morning dawned bright and beautiful, and the glorious old sun rose in splendor once more, casting life and light over the green carpeted earth: I have spent this day in rest and quietness, heard two sermons preached, one in the forenoon by the chaplain of the 3rd Pa. Re's. and one in the afternoon by the chaplain of the 4th Pa. Re's; this is the first Sunday since 15th of April that I have not been on the march.

This beautiful Sabbath day, called to remembrance recollections of happy days gone by, spent amid a circle of kind friends and relatives, and of the good old fashioned meetings we used to attend; and then it was really touching to the finer feelings of the sun browned, war worn soldier when the good old chaplain talked to us, under the spreading limbs of the old chestnut tree, of home, and its once happy scenes and associations, which we used to enjoy; and the great large tears filled the eyes of many a hero as he discoursed.

The woods this sun bright morning were vocal with the music of the feathered songsters. The winds are loaded with the sweet perfume of early summer, and every thing in nature tends to inspire the mind with feelings of devotion and praise; and then thoughts of friends, home and happiness crowded my mind, and the spirits of some seemed hovering around; who knows but what they are here as angels of mercy, who would say that a prayer of some fond parent, was not wafted to heaven for us an the soft zephyrs that was gently blowing this morning.

We look away into the vista of the future, and wonder if God will permit us ever to return to those loved ones who are left behind; peradventure He may, and why not? His hand has protected us thus far, amid thick dangers, and He is able to bring us safely back, though we may have to go where battle rages fiercely, yet let us trust in His mercy.

I have written to dear old father and mother this morning, who are today waiting anxiously for some tidings from the army of the Kanawha, yes how anxious, but yet with fears do they wait, lest something unfortunate has happened to that son whom they love, but when this is taken from the post office joy will beam in their countenance, for they see the well known hand writing, and they know their boy is safe. Such will not be the case with many a fond parent, whose son went on this raid, a strange hand writes the sad news of his death, yes he fell while making a gallant charge, and was buried on the field. Oh: sad hearts, how I pity you and sympathize with you for the loss of your dear boy.

The sun begins to tip the hill tops of Greenbrier with yellow and gold, and we are warned that night is approaching. The men are busy around the camp fires cooking supper, and while I sit in the tent door gazing over the vallies and hills spreading away in the distance I feel subdued and sad, but this day has not been spent in vain, the remembrance of it will go with me through my future life, and will ever remain as one of the spots of sunshine and happiness in the chequered scenes of my existence.

#### A JOURNAL

The Spring Campaign of 1864 in West Virginia under Command of Brig. Gen'l George Crook.

Written by Michael A. Ayers, Serg't Major, 11th. W.Va. Vols., who participated in the whole campaign and was an eye witness to all that is given in this narrative.

#### Introduction:

Believing that in after years it would be a source of interest to look back over the stirring events which have taken place, in the Department of West Va. in the Spring of 1864, I have taken some care to keep a correct memorandum of the expedition which started from Camp Piatt on 30th Apl. and ended 19th May, at Meadow Bluffs, and of the second and more extensive one which started 1st June from Meadow Bluffs, formed a junction with Gen'l Sullivan and the 1st Div at Staunton, Va., on 8th June, and ended at Camp Piatt, W.Va. on \_\_\_ June, 1864.

Troops had been concentrating at Camp Piatt, West Va. for several days, and were being thoroughly organized under the immediate Supervision of Brig. Gen'l George Crook, who had already been assigned to the Command of the Army of the Kanawha.

The morning of the 30th April was ushered in with heavy clouds over spreading sky, betokening rain, which commenced falling about 8 A.M. Our Division were in motion at 7 o'clock in the morning moving up the valley of the Great Kanawha. The men are all in splendid spirits and present (There are several lines that are not readable due to damage to the Journal.)

Sunday, May 1st: We march at 7 o'clock A.M. but few incidents occur on the way worth speaking of. We pass a steamer, the "Ellen Collier" coming down the river, which was the last boat we saw till our return. The morning had been cloudy, but cleared off in the forenoon and we had sunshine the balance of the day. We stopped for dinner at the mouth of a creek, the name of which I did not learn. Passed the "Cannel Coal Works" on east side of the river. "Soup Creek" a depot of supplies and the termination of steamboat navigation is about 5 miles below "Montgomery Ferry," at which point we arrived at 4 o'clock P.M. and camped on a hill immediately (more damage to the journal).

(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, July 7: chicken tenders, mac-n-cheese, mixed vegetables, carrots, fruit, whole wheat bread.

Friday, July 8: seasoned beans and ham, mixed greens, fruit, cornbread.

Monday, July 11: chicken patty, vegetables/broccoli, fruit, apples, whole wheat bun.

Tuesday, July 12: calico beans, greens, onions, applesauce, cornbread.

Wednesday, July 13:

pork chop, potatoes, Brussels sprouts, fruit cocktail, whole wheat bread.

Thursday, July 14: cook's choice.

Friday, July 15: sloppy joe, raw vegetable salad, peaches, tomato juice, 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 CCCOA, 354-7017, to be placed on a list.

## 988 For National Suicide Prevention Lifeline On July 16

W.Va. Dept of Health and Human Services' Bureau for Behavioral Health (BBH) continues to prepare for the transition of the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline to a new three-digit number, 988, on Saturday, July 16.

BBH funds West Virginia's single National Suicide Prevention Lifeline call center, operated by First Choice Services, to answer in-state calls to the Lifeline, which includes the Veterans Crisis Line.

On July 16, the three-digit dialing code for the Lifeline will go live as 988, replacing the current phone number of 1-800-273-8255, which will remain operational during the transition.

West Virginia is one of the top five states for its National Suicide Prevention Lifeline call center answer rates, answering at

least 90% of calls within West Virginia.

First Choice Services also serves as a back-up center for other states when they cannot answer their own chats and/or texts.

"West Virginia has been working with the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline to plan for 988 implementation," said Christina Mullins, commissioner of BBH.

"Over the past few months, the focus has moved to onboarding and training staff to be ready to answer increased voice calls and adding chat and text options."

Funding for the transition was awarded by SAMHSA. Read more about 988 planning at [www.samhsa.gov/find-help/988](http://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/988).

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### Calhoun Realty Team welcomes our newest team members...

**Jerry D. Mann** - Jerry is a Veteran that served our country with the US Army and has moved to Calhoun County to build his real estate career.

**Crystal A. Elkins** - Crystal prides herself in providing excellent customer service and always strives to exceed her clients expectations. With a BA in Advertising/Graphic Design, she has the knowledge to effectively market your property and help you reach your buying or selling goals.

**Sheila R. Rader** - Sheila worked as a real estate agent in Ohio for several years. Serving the North Central West Virginia area, Sheila is ready to take on new clients to help them reach their goals.

**723 Nobe Road, Big Bend, WV || 1.841 Acres +/- ||** Ridgetop living with new updates! This 2-bedroom, 2-bathroom home is located just 6 miles from Grantsville. Everything in this home is on the main level. The inside boasts lots of beautiful handcrafted wood walls and cabinets made by a local craftsman. So many new upgrades to list: HUGE brand new wrap around deck that leads down to the new greenhouse, new gutter drains, new stainless kitchen appliances and a carrier central heating cooling system with capacity that was installed this year. Need storage space? The full length basement, cold cellar and 12X20 outbuilding with power is perfect for all your needs. Underneath the home is a garage perfect for mowers, a small tractor and equipment. Have a family coming in with an RV? No problem, RV hookups on the property ready to use. Home also has natural gas for cooking, heat and hot water with two natural gas wall heaters installed in case the power is lost to the main gas furnace. **\$159,900**

**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 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**

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Decedent	Decedent's Address	Date of Death	Date of Affidavit
Denise Bentz	1778 Candleberry St. Bunnell, FL 32110	June 7, 2022	July 1, 2022
Name of Person Filing Affidavit	Address	Relation to Decedent	Date of First Publication
Patricia Carpenter	107 Brooklyn Drive Glenville, WV 26351	Daughter	July 6, 2022

The decedent died owning real estate situate in the State of West Virginia. As reported in the affidavit filed herein, (a) the decedent has left no will as far as is known; (b) no will of the decedent has been presented or probated in this State or in any other jurisdiction; and (c) more than sixty days have passed since the death of the decedent and no personal representative or administrator of the decedent's estate has been otherwise appointed in the State of West Virginia for any proper purpose.

Any interested person objecting to the filing of the foreign will or affidavit or objecting to the absence of appointment or administration being made in this State must file a written objection with the County Commission whose address is 363 Main Street; PO Box 230; Grantsville, WV 26147; within sixty (60) days after the date of first publication or thirty (30) days of service of this Notice upon such interested person filing the Notice, whichever is later.

Notice is given that if an objection is not timely filed, the objection is barred and that the Ancillary Administration of the West Virginia real estate of the above decedent shall be deemed final and complete in accordance with the provisions of law.

Enter this 6th day of July, 2022.

*Jean Amos*  
Clerk of the County Commission  
Class II Legal

**LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA**

IN RE: Petition of Jason Cunningham Adoption Case No. 22-A-5 and Melissa Cunningham for the adoption of MJW

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

To: Unknown Grandparents of MJW

The object of the above styled action is to adopt the minor child, MJW.

It appearing by an affidavit filed in this action that the said Unknown Grandparents of MJW are nonresidents of the State of West Virginia and their names and location are unknown to the Petitioners, it is ORDERED that you do appear and serve upon Michael Hicks, Petitioners' attorney, whose address is PO Box 582, Grantsville, West Virginia, an answer or other response to the Petition filed herein on or before July 23 2022, otherwise judgement by default will be taken against you at any time thereafter and any right to object to the adoption of MJW will be waived.

A copy of the said Petition can be obtained from the undersigned Clerk at her office located in Grantsville in said county and state.

Entered by the said Court on this 21st day of June, 2022.

*Shirley R. Loverton*  
Clerk

**LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE**

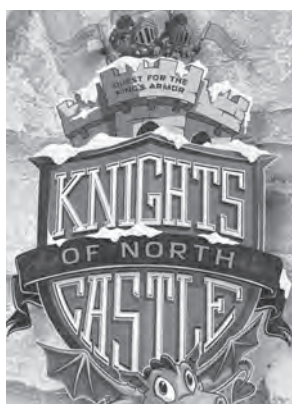
**NOTICE OF CHANGE IN POLLING PLACE FOR PRECINCT 4**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Commission of Calhoun County, West Virginia, proposes, at a Regular Session to be held at the Calhoun County Courthouse on the 11th day of July, 2022, to make and enter an Order relating to the following change of a voting precinct in Calhoun County:

1. Polling place for Precinct 4 will be changed from the Calhoun County Courthouse located at 363 Main Street, Grantsville, to the Calhoun County Senior Citizens Building located at 105 Market Street, Grantsville.
2. All voters registered within Precinct 4 will be notified by the Calhoun County Clerk's Office by letter and a new registration card with the correct polling place listed.

**Back to School Vaccines Offered**

The Mid-Ohio Valley Health Dept. has announced that it is open for appointments for children's back-to-school vaccines. Appointments are available through the



**Bible School**

Cornerstone Praise & Worship, 527 Highland St., Grantsville, will have Vocational Bible School, "Knights of North Castle, Quest for the King's Armor," from Sunday-Wednesday, July 10-13, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

**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.

end of August to get children ready to go back to school, said Rebecca Eaton, clinical director of MOVHD.

Vaccines available include TDAP and meningitis, as well as boosters for both: Gardasil for ages nine and up and meningitis B for those 16 and older. MOVHD takes most private insurance and Medicaid. Those with-out insurance are also welcome to make an appointment. An administrative fee will be charged: \$19.85 for one vaccine or \$36 for more than one.

No one will be turned away if they cannot pay the fee, said Eaton.

A parent's signature is required for vaccines, as well as the child's previous shot record. Bring a copy of your insurance card to the appointment.

For information, call 354-6101.

**Creston**

Creston Community Building's homecoming and community picnic will be held on Saturday, July 9, at 2 p.m.

Hotdogs, fruit tray, cake, and punch will be provided.

Bring your favorite picnic covered dish to share. There will be games for the kids.

For information, call Betty Bish, 485-9873, or Kathleen Cervone, 275-0003.

**Rock Painting**

The Calhoun County Library will have a rock painting station set up next week.

You can stop by anytime that it is open and paint rocks.

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.

**Volleyball Camp Set July 14**

Calhoun County High School will host Glenville State University coach Keven John for a volleyball camp for grades 9th-to-12th on Thursday, July 14, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Cost is \$20 per camper, and form (reprinted at the right) must be signed and brought to camp. Payment can be made in cash or check made out to Keven John.

**Keven John and Glenville University Camp Agreement Waiver**

(See story on Page 1)

Camper Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact (for the hours of the camp)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph.: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph.: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the camper's relevant conditions and potential necessary emergency drug use. Examples of conditions and remedies that should be disclosed include, but are not limited to, strong allergies, camper use of epipens, asthma, emergency inhalers, migraines, seizures, etc.

**Calhoun Youth Football**

Practice for Calhoun Youth football will begin on Monday, July 18, at Calhoun Middle/High School, and continue on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 6 to 8 p.m. until school starts, when the time will change.

Helmet fittings and football equipment hand-outs will be held at the CM/HS practice field on Wednesday, July 13: 5 to 5:40 p.m. for C team players; 5:40 to 6:20 for B team; and 6:20 to 7:00 for A team.

The teams will host other league teams for pre-season competition on Sunday, Aug. 7, at 10 a.m.

Calhoun will play eight teams on Saturday or Sunday during the nine weeks from Aug. 13 to Oct. 8:

The schedule is (A team first, followed by C and B teams):

Saturday, Aug. 13, at Doddridge, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 20, at Clay, noon.

Sunday, Aug. 28, host Gilmer, 1 p.m.

Sept. 3-4: Open.

Saturday, Sept. 10, at Braxton, noon.

Sunday, Sept. 18, host Roane, 1 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 25, host Elk River, 1 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 2, host Webster, 1 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 8, at Ravenswood, 1 p.m.

Playoff schedule for South Division:

First round, Saturday, Oct. 15, 1st and 3rd seeds play at Clay; Sunday, Oct. 16, 2nd and 4th seeds play at Tyler.

Second round, Saturday, Oct. 22, winners of Oct. 17 games play at New Martinsville; Sunday, Oct. 23, winners of Oct. 16 games play at Roane.

Championship game, Sunday, Oct. 30, winners of Oct. 22 and Oct. 23 games play at Ritchie.

Cheer competition will be on Saturday, Oct. 29, at Gilmer.

All-Star game, Saturday, Nov. 5, at Ravenswood.

**ATV Poker Run**

ATV Poker Run will be held on Saturday, July 30, at Creston Community Building.

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

First place is 30% of the door, second is 10%, and third is 10%. No two-wheelers will be allowed.

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

There will be door prizes and 50/50, and the kitchen will be open for breakfast and dinner items.

For information about the poker run, call 275-3578 or 275-0003.

In consideration of being allowed to participate in this camp, I hereby Release, Waive, Discharge, and Covenant not to sue Keven John, Camp Staff, Camp Host Site, Glenville University, the Athletic Department, the Board of Trustees, the State of West Virginia, and their employees (hereinafter referred to as Releasee) from any and all liability, claims, demands, or course of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, that may be sustained by me, my child, or any property belonging to me/my child, Whether Caused By Negligence Of The Releasee or otherwise, while participating in this camp, or upon the premises where the activities are conducted.

To the best of my knowledge, I, my child am/is in good physical condition and I am not aware of any physical infirmity that would place me/my child at risk in the participation in any way with the camps activities. I am fully aware of risks and hazards connected with this camp. I Voluntarily Assume Full Responsibility For Any Risk Of Loss, Property Damage, Or Personal Injury, Including Death, that may be sustained by me/my child as a result of being engaged in camp activities, Whether Caused By Negligence Of The Releasee Or Otherwise. I Further Hereby Agree To Indemnify And Hold Harmless The Releasee from any loss liability, damage, or cost that may accrue related to me/my child's participation in the camp.

During the period of the camp, I hereby give permission for the camp staff, and or the host site staff to administer appropriate medical attention to me/my child in the event of any accident, illness, or injury. I will be responsible to any cost of medical coverage and treatments not covered by insurance.

It is my express intent that the Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement/Consent to Medical Treatment shall bind the members of my family and spouse, if I am alive, and my heirs assigns a personal representative, if I am deceased and shall be deemed as a Release, Waiver, Discharge, And Covenant Not To Sue the above named Release. I hereby further agree this Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement/Consent to Medical Treatment shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of West Virginia. In signing this release I acknowledge and represent that I have read and understand it and sign it voluntarily; I am at least 18 years of age and fully competent; and execute the Release for full, adequate and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by the same.

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# Jumpstart Savings Program Launches

State treasurer Riley Moore has announced that the Jumpstart Savings Program has officially launched and has started to enroll participants online at WVJumpstart.com.

"This is a great day, both for our state and for me personally, as this first-of-its-kind savings program has finally completed the transition from idea to reality," said Moore.

"I truly believe this Jumpstart Savings Program will serve as a national model to help empower and rejuvenate our blue-collar workforce in America."

The Jumpstart Savings Program allows individuals who wish to pursue a wide range of skilled vocations or trades--ranging broadly from welding to cosmetology--to save money and enjoy certain state income tax benefits.

Individuals can make up to \$25,000 per year in contributions to a Jumpstart Savings Account that will be eligible for a state income tax deduction.

Also, up to \$25,000 of Jumpstart Savings Account funds used per year for qualified expendi-

tures for business startup costs, equipment, tools, certifications and licenses needed for their skilled vocation or trade will also be eligible for a state income tax deduction.

The legislature has also formally requested Congress extend the tax benefits to federal taxes.

The program provides an "Ignite Incentive" for certain individuals who open accounts. The state provides a \$100 seed contribution when an account's designated beneficiary is under the age of 18 or when an account is opened within 180 days of the designated beneficiary enrolling in a qualifying apprenticeship or educational program.

The program was inspired by Moore's personal experience working as a welder earlier in life.

"I used to be a welder working at mining operations and thought about starting up my independent mobile welding business, but I found the startup costs to be too much to overcome," said Moore.

"This is a problem that a lot of people working in trades face. We invest in their education with things like free community college, but when it comes

to launching a contracting business or entering the workforce, they find the costs too high to succeed--the Jumpstart Savings Program is designed to help them overcome this problem."

The program is overseen by the board of trustees of the West Virginia College and Jumpstart Savings programs. The board has partnered with United Bank to administer the program.

"As West Virginia's Bank, United Bank is proud to partner with Moore in the implementation of this innovative savings program and to invest in our home state, helping not only to build a skilled workforce, but also assist people across the state in achieving their occupational goals and dreams," said United Bank regional president D.F. Mock.

"With United's footprint across the Mountain State, we are honored to have been selected to be a part of this groundbreaking initiative and are excited to watch the program and West Virginians continue to flourish."

Individuals interested in enrolling in the program can visit WVJumpstart.com to sign up. An account can be opened with as little as a \$25 contribution.

While West Virginia is the first state in the

country to implement this program, Moore believes other states will soon follow suit.

"We've already had conversations with lawmakers in other states--as well as in Congress--about expanding this program across the country.

"This is just another example of how West Virginia is a leader in creating new, innovative ways to build up our blue-collar workforce.

"America needs vocational and trades jobs now more than ever. If we want to rebuild our manufacturing base, restore our domestic supply chain, and compete against countries like China, we're going to need to build up our workforce.

"The Jumpstart Savings Program will be a critical tool to help people fill these critical, high-paying jobs."

## 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.

## Morrisey Mobile

A consumer representative from Attorney General Patrick Morrisey's office will meet one-on-one with residents on Thursday, July 21, 11 a.m. to noon, at Calhoun County Committee on Aging.

Brooke Albright, consumer outreach and compliance specialist with the office, will discuss consumer-related issues and answer any potential questions. The sessions are open to the public; reservations not required. For info, call 777-9906.

## New at Calhoun County Library

The Calhoun County Library has the following new items:

Adult Fiction: The Foundling, by Ann Leary; The Woman in the Library, by Sulari Gentill; A Rip Through Time, by Kelley Armstrong; Out of the Clear Blue Sky, by Kristan Higgins; Deep Water, by Emma Bamford; The Latecomer, by Jean Hanff

Korelitz; A Face to Die For, by Iris Johansen; Zero Hour, by Don Bentley; Larkspur Road, by Jill Gregory; Escape, by James Patterson; Flying Solo, by Linda Holmes; All the Lights Above Us, by M.B. Henry; Movie Land, by Lee Goldberg; The House Across the Lake, by Riley Sager; The Teacher of Warsaw, by Mario Escobar; The Hidden One, by Linda Castillo; The Girl Who Survived, by Lisa Jackson; The Book Woman's Daughter, by Kim Michele Richardson; Fellowship Point, by Alice Elliot Dark; Just Like Mother, by Anne Heltzel; For Those Who Are Lost, by Julia Bryan Thomas; Suspects, by Danielle Steel; Our Crooked Hearts, by Melissa Albert; Look Closer, by David Ellis; The Friendship Pact, by Jill Shalvis; The Second Husband, by Kate White; Armored, by Mark Greaney; Listen to Me, by Tess Gerritsen.

## COVID Cases

W.Va. Counties 10 Lowest Confirmed Cases as of July 1

Calhoun	1,004
Wirt	1,080
Pendleton	1,191
Pocahontas	1,266
Tucker	1,276
Tyler	1,460
Doddridge	1,542
Pleasants	1,591
Ritchie	1,683
Gilmer	1,773

W.Va. Counties 10 Lowest Confirmed and Probable Cases

Wirt	1,504
Calhoun	1,980
Pendleton	2,047
Tucker	2,081
Pocahontas	2,124
Pleasants	2,136
Gilmer	2,204
Doddridge	2,224
Tyler	2,298
Webster	2,377

W.Va. Counties Deaths Attributed To Coronavirus

Calhoun	15
Doddridge	18
Gilmer	19
Pendleton	22
Wirt	25
Ritchie	31
Pocahontas	32
Tyler	32
Webster	34
Roane	37

Adult Non-Fiction: The Sun Does Shine, by Anthony Ray Hinton; The Everything Stir-Fry Cookbook; A Walk in the Woods, by Bill Bryson. Inspirational: Unfailing Love, by Oke; Sunburst, by Susan May Warren; A Time to Bloom, by Lauraine Snelling; I'll Be Seeing You, by Robin Lee Hatcher; Rocky Mountain Courage, Series Book 1 & 2; The Danced On, by Carre Armstrong Gardner; The Killing Tide, by Dani Pettrey; Leah's Choice, by Marta Perry.

Movies: Game of Thrones, Seasons 1-3; Gift of Love.

## 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.

### Holbert

Holbert Family Reunion will be held on Saturday, July 23, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Calhoun County Park barn. Bring your favorite dish and enjoy the day.

### Stump

Stump Family Reunion has been canceled.

### 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.

### Jarvis

Cal Jarvis Reunion will be held on Saturday, Sept. 3, at Upper West Fork Park. Registration begins at 11 a.m., with a covered dish lunch at noon. Come and enjoy the day.

### Richards

Richards Reunion will be held Saturday, Sept. 3, 10 a.m., at Pleasants County Park in St. Marys.

## Tire Collection

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

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

A limit of 10 tires per person will be accepted. Tire round up is for residents of Calhoun only. Bring valid W.Va. ID (such as driver's license). It is sponsored by West Virginia Dept. of Environmental Protection and Calhoun Solid Waste Authority.

## Music

Bluegrass, gospel and country music will be played at the Lions Club Building (behind Senior Citizens Center, Grantsville), on Saturday, July 9, at 6 p.m. Musicians sign-up at the door.

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**Minimum Requirements:** High School Diploma or equivalent; Valid WV driver's license with clean record, a valid Class 1 Operator license in the State of West Virginia or ability to obtain Class 1 Operator license within 6 months. Class 2 water operator license preferred.

**Desirable Qualifications:** Experience with water & sewer piping/repair. Operation of large equipment; mechanical / technical skills experience in water / wastewater. Prior experience working for a municipality (public works, public utilities).

Starting wage range will be dependent upon licensure. Obtain an application from the City of Shinnston website @ <http://www.shinnstonwv.com/>. Interested candidates are required to submit an application with supplemental information to: City of Shinnston, 40 Main Street, Shinnston, WV 26431. Applications will be accepted until the vacancy is filled with those received by July 21st earning first consideration.

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Left to right, Jacy Stehman, Marissa Brandon, Allie Yeager and Briar Stehman also completed the escape room mystery at Heritage Village on Monday.



Woody Williams

## Glenville Recalls 'Woody' Williams

Glenville State University observed the passing of Hershel "Woody" Williams, the last living Medal of Honor recipient from World War II. He was 98.

Williams was a major proponent of Glenville State's West Virginia Veterans' Legacy Project in 2012. He was featured in several products of the project, including the book, "Heroes Among Us," and the documentary, "A Tradition of Service." He also traveled around West Virginia to help promote the project.

"This is a truly sad day for West Virginia. Woody Williams was the epitome of what it means to be an American and we must all carry on his mission to honor, recognize, and serve our service members and their Gold Star families. Our condolences to his friends and family," said GSU president Dr. Mark A. Manchin.

Williams, a U.S. Marine, served in the Battle of Iwo Jima. He received the Medal of Honor from President Harry Truman in 1945.

As recounted in the "Heroes Among Us" book, Williams said Truman whispered in his ear during the presentation of his medal, "I'd rather have this medal than be

the President of the United States."

Through his vision, a non-profit organization was created--the Woody Williams Foundation--to establish permanent memorial monuments for Gold Star families in communities throughout the U.S., to conduct outreach to those families, to provide Living Legacy scholarships to eligible Gold Star children, and to advocate for educational benefits for all Gold Star family members.

Gold Star families are those immediate family members of a fallen service member who died while serving in a time of conflict.

In 2018, the Huntington VA Medical Center was renamed in his honor. The USS Hershel "Woody" Williams, an expeditionary sea base vessel, was officially commissioned by the U.S. Navy in 2020.

Williams died on Wednesday, June 29. An executive order by the governor formally recognized July 3, as a statewide day of honor and mourning, and authorizing a State Memorial Service to be held at the Capitol in Williams' honor.

He also became the first inductee into the new West Virginia Military Hall of Fame.

## A.G. Scam Warning

W.Va. Attorney General Patrick Morrissey is warning consumers to be on the lookout for a scam bearing the name of Publishers Clearing House, the attorney general and the governor.

A letter with the state seal of West Virginia, supposedly signed by the governor and bearing the attorney general's name, recently surfaced. It purports that Morrissey flew to New York to meet with the board of directors of Publishers Clearing House to negotiate the prize for the recipient of the letter.

"That is false, I never went to New York to

negotiate any sweepstakes winnings for consumers," said Morrissey. "We will never contact consumers to notify them of their winnings."

"Indeed, it can be a welcome surprise to unexpectedly win something, but it's crucial that consumers don't let the excitement overshadow caution and smart thinking."

The scammers asked the consumer to pay \$55,913.53 to claim the prize of a little more than \$212,000, which will be "delivered at your doorstep." The consumer who received the letter reportedly sent the scammers \$8,000 to claim the supposed prize. The check payments went to a Stockton, Calif., address.

There were grammatical errors in the letter. "That's one of the warning signs of a scam letter--it usually contains inconsistencies and grammatical errors," said Morrissey.

Scammers often use a familiar name to lull consumers into a false sense of trust and unquestioned acceptance.

Publishers Clearing House sweepstakes are free to enter and winners never pay to receive their prize. Consumers should never agree to send cash, wire money, or provide account numbers.

If you believe that you have been the victim of a scam, contact the A.G.'s Consumer Protection Division, 800-368-8808, or visit [www.wvago.gov](http://www.wvago.gov).

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PROBLEM GAMBLING/GAMING TREATMENT  
**1-800-GAMBLER**  
 The Problem Gambling Help Network of WV  
 1800GAMBLER.NET

FREE NICOTINE REPLACEMENT THERAPY  
**West Virginia TOBACCO QUITLINE**  
 1-800-QUIT-NOW 1-877-866-8704  
 WVQUITNOW.COM

ADDICTION & MENTAL HEALTH CHILD'S CRISIS  
**844 HELP4WV**  
 WV's Addiction & Mental Health Helpline  
 HELP4WV.COM

LOCAL SOCIAL SERVICES + RESOURCES  
**2.1.1**  
 Get Connected. Get Help.<sup>™</sup>  
 WV211.ORG

ACA INSURANCE & MEDICAL ENROLLMENT  
**WV NAVIGATOR**  
 Your Health Insurance Helpline  
 1-844-WV-CARES  
 WVNAVIGATOR.COM

JOB TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT  
**Jobs & Hope**  
 West Virginia  
 (304) 583-4008  
 JOBSANDHOPE.WV.GOV

SUICIDE CRISIS SUPPORT  
**SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE**  
 1-800-273-TALK (8255)  
 SUICIDEPREVENTIONLIFELINE.ORG

FREE CRISIS COUNSELING  
**877-HELP304**  
 WV'S EMOTIONAL STRENGTHLINE  
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