



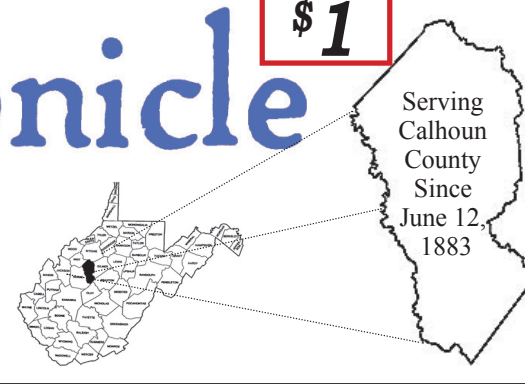
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Rise Up Event



Left to Right, Calhoun students who assisted with the event: Zenna Zwoll, Trista Arnold, Senator Capito, Emily Anderson and Jaelyn Jett.

Submitted by: Kelley Moore, Communications Director, U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito

MT. ZION, W.Va. – U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), brought her West Virginia Girls Rise Up program to Calhoun County Middle High School to promote female empowerment, education, fitness, and self-confidence.

Fifth and sixth grade female students participated in the program, where they had the chance to hear from Senator Capito on her personal experience as a female leader.

The event marks the first Girls Rise Up in Calhoun County and the 28th event since the program's launch in 2015.

“Women in West Virginia and across the world should be inspired and encouraged every day to work toward their goals and achieve their dreams, and they should know that it's never too early to start. That's exactly why I started my Girls Rise Up program,” Senator Capito said. “I was so excited to bring my program to Calhoun County today where I met some amazing young women who have some very bright futures

ahead of them. It's my hope that Girls Rise Up will inspire them to pursue their goals and achieve them, and I can't wait to see all of the wonderful things they accomplish in the years to come.”

“Growing up, I was encouraged by my mother to become my own independent person. I am so thankful that Senator Capito believes in the strength of that message and that she seeks to empower and encourage our next generation of outstanding women. Our own girl rising up, Emily Anderson, heard the message and made the contacts to bring Senator Capito and her message to us. Calhoun County Middle High School is honored to be part of the senator's initiative,” Calhoun County Middle High School Assistant Principal Gina Stump said.

Senator Capito launched the West Virginia Girls Rise Up program in 2015 to instill confidence in young West Virginia women and empower them to be strong and kind female leaders.

The program focuses on three areas: education, fitness, and self-confidence.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday, March 22
Summer Feeding and Pharmacy sign-ups at Calhoun FRN, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and noon to 2:30 p.m.

Calhoun County Solid Waste authority meeting at 4 p.m. Moms Place Too in Grantsville.

Thursday, March 23
Summer Feeding and Pharmacy sign-ups at Calhoun FRN, 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Save the Children Parent Child Group meets at Pleasant Hill Elem. 4:30-5:30

Calhoun Library Trivia Night at 6 p.m.

Friday, March 24
Summer Feeding and Pharmacy sign-ups at Calhoun FRN, 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Save the Children Parent Child Group meets at Arnoldsburg Elementary from 2-3 p.m.

Saturday, March 25
Mix It UP Bingo, Arnoldsburg Community Building, 6 p.m.

Alumni Basketball Game at Calhoun Middle/High School, 6 p.m.

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

Sunday, March 26

Monday, March 27
Order of the Eastern Star will hold their monthly meeting at 7:30 pm. Snacks will be at 6:30 pm.

Tuesday, March 28
Save the Children Parent Child Group meets at Calhoun FRN on Tuesdays from 11-12.

Civil Air Patrol Meeting, white house beside the First Baptist Church in Grantsville, 6 p.m.

Wed, March 29
Save the Children Parent Child Group meets at Upper West Fork Park from 1-2 p.m.

Thursday, March 30
Save the Children Parent Child Group meets at Pleasant Hill Elem. 4:30-5:30

Upper West Fork Park Events

Upper West Fork Park meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.

Scheduled events are as follows (Saturday sings are 7 to 10 p.m., doors open at 4:30 p.m., kitchen opens at 5 p.m.): Mar. 25, Frank Conn & Partners; April 1, Retro Country; April 8, Ruff Cut; April 15, Stephanie & the Band of Brothers (Mark IV); April 22, Frank Conn & Partners; April 29, Dixie Highway; May 5, Retro Country; May 13, Frank Conn & Partners; May 20, Dixie Highway; May 27, Ruff Cut; June 3 - CLOSED; June 10, Dixie Highway.

Calhoun Student Places 2nd at HOSA Conference



Mrs. Rebecca Swisher and Health Science students who participated in the WV State HOSA Conference: Brooklynn Harris, Lindsey Schoolcraft, Marissa Brannon (2nd place winner), Jaylyn Peters, Katherine Phares, and Jayda Osborne.

article submitted by: Virginia McCormick

Calhoun Student Places 2nd in State Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) Conference.

This is the first time in several years that CGCC Students have had a HOSA chapter and have been able to attend the HOSA State Conference. HOSA stands for Future Health Professionals and grants many opportunities to its members.

By participating in HOSA, members are enriched both personally and educationally as all of the competitions and workshops are career oriented. This year the State Conference was held in Huntington, March 3rd and 4th.

Congratulations go to Marissa Brannon, a junior at Calhoun County High School, for placing 2nd in Nursing Assisting.

Marissa now can travel to Dallas, Texas, in June to compete in the National Conference.

We are very proud of all of the students and are eager to see the program flourish in the years to come!

Calhoun B.O.E. Student Recognitions For March

submitted by Cathy Dickey



The Board of Education is proud to recognize 1st Chair Percussionist in Marshall University's Wind Symphony, Zenna Zwoll, daughter of Marlan and Kelli Zwoll of Orma. Congratulations Zenna!

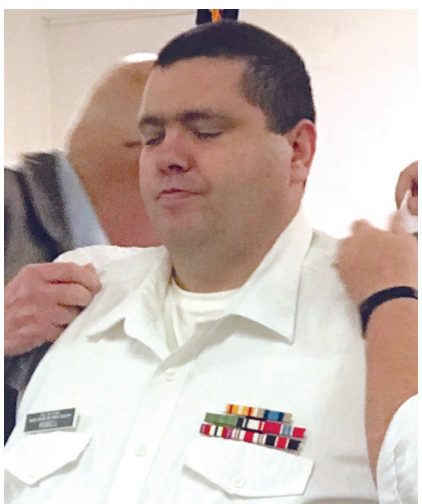
The board also recognized, and presented certificates to, Calhoun County's youth wrestling team members who placed at the recent West Virginia Youth Wrestling Association State Championship, and the West Virginia Junior State Championship. (See page five for photos and the weight classes and championship placements.)

Civil Air Patrol Promotion Ceremony

Civil Air Patrol held promotion ceremony on Tuesday March 14, 2023 at the Calhoun Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Partol.

The promotion ceremony was in honor of the following individuals: Cadet/Airman Kyle Norman and 2nd Lt. Jerry Howell.

Civil Air Patrol also known as CAP is the auxiliary of the United States Air Force. We have three speciality areas: Cadet Programs, Aerospace Education and Emergency Services/Search and Rescue. If you would like more information you can contact the squadron Commander Major Donna Umstead at 520-465-8657.



1st Lt. Emma Howell (wife of Jerry) and Lt. Col Lewis Craddock had the honor of changing the pins for 2nd Lt. Jerry Howell who was promoted to 1st Lt.



Cadet/Airman Kyle Norman was promoted to Cadet/Airman 1st Class, his parents Byron and Bridgett Norman had the honor of pinning his new stripes on him.

Make It Shine, April 1

Make it shine is scheduled for April 1, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., and is the set day for Calhoun County for cleaning litter from our roadways.

We have 108 volunteers scheduled to be on the main roads so please use caution when driving. They could be covering every end of the county.

Grantsville volunteer fire dept. is volunteering their time cooking and serving those that are part of the clean up. They will be serving soup and sandwiches and drinks so stop by and get something to eat when finished.

If you are cleaning up in town, you can pick up supplies, including trash bags, gloves, grabbers and vest on the day of the clean up at Mom's Place Too before heading out.

If you are out of town, contact me for supplies so you don't have to run to get them the day of the clean up.

If you are interested in helping, contact Lisa Cooper or Brenda Bush, or call Cabot Recycling Station 354-7786.

Come on out and help us make our county more beautiful by cleaning up the trash debris along our roads. Please use caution when driving in areas with volunteers.

OBITUARIES

JOSEPH T. CAIN

Joseph T. Cain died Friday, at the age of 93 doing what he loved, tending his Hereford cattle.

He was born at Brooksville, the youngest son of Everett and Eva Starcher Cain.

A graduate of Calhoun County High, WVU and OSU School of Veterinary Medicine he practiced as a veterinarian for over 60 years.

He served during the Korean Conflict and upon return married Dorcas Haught. Over the years, he was a member on various committees and boards. In 2013 he was named WV Farmer of the Year.

Joe is survived by his three children, Daniel (Barbara), Jane Lynch (Keith) and Richard (Janey). He has five grandchildren, Susan, Samuel, Shaina, Sarah (Terry) and Megan and two great granddaughters Jo and Eva. He is also survived by one Brother-in-law James Haught (Wannalee) and sister-in-law Carol Haught as well as several nieces and nephews. Joe was predeceased by his wife of 56 years Dorcas, his parents Everett and Eva, brother, Francis and sister, Jewell and their spouses, sister-in-law Deale Wright, and brothers-in-law Keith Wright and Horace Haught Jr.

Visitation will be Thursday, March 23 beginning at 1 p.m. at his church, Brooksville Missionary Baptist Church in Big Bend. Funeral service will follow at 3 p.m., with burial immediately after at the Broomstick Cemetery, with military honors and Masonic Rites.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests a donation to a local farmer education program, Wounded Warriors, or a charity of your choice.



Macy Schoolcraft, and Hunter Schoolcraft (Katey Bever) of Arnoldsburg; great-grandchildren Brennah, Bryson, and Breslyn Casner and Aylah Aniyah, Lindsay, and Rosie Parsons; many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by brothers-in-law Charles "Tootie" Nicholson and Mike Duncan and great-granddaughter Peyton Faith Parsons.

He was a family man and loved his wife, two sons, and his grandbabies with all of his heart and soul. He was a carpenter for over 40 years. He loved to fish, hunt, and go camping with his family. He loved to spend the summer days on his front porch. He also loved his pets. He loved talking on the phone with his good friends and family. He will be greatly missed.

A funeral service was held March, 2023, at Stump Funeral Home & Cremation, Inc., Arnoldsburg.

REVEREND KENNY KENDALL

Reverend Kenny Kendall, 66, of Clarksburg died Saturday, March 11, 2023.

Kenny was born in Stumptown to the late Charles Rimer and Beverla Bennett Kendall. Kenny was a beloved United Methodist minister for 44 years, having served the following charges: LeRoy, Waldeck, Nestorville, North View, New Beginnings and Freemansburg.

Kenny married Beverly Eaton on July 14, 1979. They were blessed with a loving and wonderful daughter, Casey Jean Bryant. Kenny and Bev's family was completed when Casey married Thomas Bryant and had a beautiful daughter, Makenzie Rae Bryant. Anyone who knew Kenny and Bev could easily see the tremendous love and pride they felt for Casey, Tom and Makenzie.

In addition to his loving wife and daughter, he is also survived by his sister, Conna (Philip) Jones; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Debbie (Chuck) Huff, Diane (Allen) Jerden and Donna Adams; brother-in-law, Stephen (Lisa) Eaton; and nieces and nephews, Ben and Kara Huff, Kaitlyn and Samantha Hufton, Danny and Kylie Adams, Justin Eaton, Chuck and Crystal Kendall and Mary and Lloyd Kelso.

He was preceded in death by his brother Roger, his niece Tammy Harris, and his parents.

The loss of Kenny's life will be felt by not only his family, but his many parishioners and friends. Kenny served the Lord by humbly serving God's people with love, kindness, concern and patience. Kenny devoutly practiced what he preached. To have known Kenny was to know the love of the Lord.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, March 15, 2023 with Reverend Dennis Estes officiating. Interment was in the Collins Cemetery in Stumptown, WV.



LEON KEITH SCHOOLCRAFT

Leon Keith Schoolcraft, 70, of Arnoldsburg, died March 13, 2023, at Charleston Area Medical Center-General, following a sudden illness.

He was born in Calhoun County, the son of the late Thurl and Eloise Greathouse Schoolcraft.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years Loretta Sue Duncan Schoolcraft, sons Eric K. Schoolcraft (Sheila) and Shyrick Schoolcraft (Nancy) all of Arnoldsburg; brother Bruce Schoolcraft (Pam Anderson) of Mt. Zion; sister Geneva Nicholson (Randy) of Grantsville; brother-in-law and sister-in-law Bob and Kay Raber of Parkersburg; grandchildren Cassie Casner (Dan Graham) of Grantsville; Candace Schoolcraft (Shawn Parsons),



He was born in Ovapa, West Virginia to the late Spencer and Dona Jarvis, both of West Virginia.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Shirley Ann Jarvis Bernard of Bristol, TN; brothers, Charles Jarvis, Paul Jarvis and Marvin Jarvis; sister, Francis Saffir.

Survivors include his loving wife Mabel Barker Jarvis of 44 years; children. Sharon Ranae Fleenor and John Barker and wife, Christie, all of Bristol, TN; brothers, Kenneth Jarvis and wife Shirley (OH), Jack Jarvis (WV), Danny Jarvis and wife Barb (WV); sisters, Dorothy Rice and husband Rex (TX), Mary Parsons (FL), Arletta Conley and husband Shirley (WV); grandchildren, David Felty, Rebecca Fleenor, Sam Fleenor, Jenny Thomas, Carson Barker, Callie Barker and Jacob Magnus; great grandchildren, Madisyn Felty, Makenze Felty, Mariska Felty, Myleigh Felty, Landen Felty, Anna Thomas and Nathan Thomas.

Jim was a member of Volunteer Baptist Church and loved all of his church family. He loved the outdoors, hunting, fishing, woodworking, gardening and maintaining the lawn. Jim retired from truck driving after 47 years, in 1988. After retirement, Jim enjoyed being an amateur radio operator with call signs WD4JJ (EX WD4EKA). He was a member of Bristol Amateur Radio Club where he served as president for 3 terms and was also awarded ham of the year on 3 occasions. Jim was also part of the American Radio Relay League where he held many appointments, emergency coordinator, district emergency coordinator, section emergency coordinator, and national traffic system. Jim loved amateur radio and all of his radio friends. His primary focus was amateur radio emergency services working with City of Bristol, Sullivan County and State of Tennessee or those who needed it. Jim also donated radio equipment to amateurs in Russia, Poland Misereres and disabled veterans.

Burial was at Forest Hills Memory Gardens in Abingdon, Virginia.

WILLIAM ROBERT "BILL" DUSKEY

William Robert "Bill" Duskey, 63, of Creston, died Tuesday, March 14, 2023. He was the son of the late Robert "Boyd" and Juanita Tuttle Duskey. He was born in Barberton, Ohio, and was a 1979 graduate of Chippewa High School in Doylestown, Ohio.



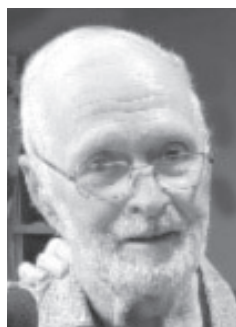
Bill worked a variety of jobs during his lifetime, some of which were in local sawmills, BF Goodrich, Flowers Bakery, Burke Parson Bowlby and Stutler Mill and Dozer. He attended Union Baptist Church in Ohio and Cremo Community Church. His hobbies included trapping, gardening, and playing softball. Bill was also an avid Mountaineer sports fan. He lovingly cared for his mother for 7 years as her health declined.

He is survived by his brother Will Duskey; two special cousins Marlene (Wayne) Riggs and Darlene (Dan) Wright; an uncle Ira "Frank" (Martha) Duskey; an aunt Jeanette Smith and numerous cousins.

Interment was at Wright Cemetery, Calhoun County.

STEWART R. BRYANT

Surrounded by his loving family, Stewart R. Bryant, 83, of Reedy, WV, died at home following an extended illness.



Born in Marting, Fayette County, he was the son of the late Edloe and Ruth Bryant. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son Walter Asbury and two brothers Charles Bryant and Edloe Bryant.

He attended Montgomery High School, leaving to join the Air Force. He worked as a diesel mechanic repairing and maintaining heavy equipment in the coal mines and driving over the road tractor trailers. When he wasn't elbow deep in grease and oil of a machine, he spent his free time hunting and fishing.

He is survived by his wife Carolyn Bryant; his children Sarah Johnson and Stewart (Misty Bailey) Bryant II; his grandchildren Jacob Asbury, Jamie Epperson, Levi (Kristina Pena) Johnson and Dakota (Cody) Johnson; a sister Patricia Young; five great-grandchildren; a niece Dusta (Billy) Stull and many extended family members and friends.

His wish to be cremated will be honored with a memorial celebration to be scheduled at a later date.

HERSHEL LEE WEBB

Hershel Lee Webb, 90, of Spencer, died at his residence March 13, 2023.



He was born in Roane County, and was the son of the late Beverly and Hazel Young Webb.

He was a United States Army veteran and had retired from Local Union 132 after many years as a heavy equipment operator. He enjoyed small engine repair work, riding his four-wheeler, playing solitaire and spending time with his family and friends.

Left behind to cherish his memory, are his two sons, Jeff Webb of Spencer and Steve "Porky" Webb (Annette) of Arnoldsburg; two daughters, Janifer Carpenter (Stephen) and Lisa McGlothlin both of Spencer; six grandchildren, Solomon Carpenter, Cara McGlothlin, Adrianna Knight (Graham), Shannon Marsh (Rick), Amanda Mitchell (Colin) and Jeff Webb, Jr. (Libby); and many great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Doris Carol Young Webb; and two sisters, Marjorie Webb and Willa Dean Green.

Burial was at Otto Cemetery in Roane County.

MAVERICK OWEN DAVIS

Maverick Owen Davis was born March 16, 2023, at 5:02 pm and gained his angel wings at 7:00 pm, surrounded by his loving family.



Maverick is the son of Richard Davis and Andrea Bailey. He is deeply loved by his mommy and daddy, siblings Trinity and Jaxsyn Wilmoth, paternal grandparents Ronnie Davis and Pamela Davis, maternal grandmother Donna Bailey, Aunts Shannon Davis and Cathy Ann Rush (Shawn), Uncles Dennis Bailey, Austin Bailey and Chris Johnson, as well as cousins Kaitlyn Davis (Nick), Tiffany Mace (Evan), Judson Mace, and Selina Rush.

He was preceded in death by his great grandparents, Owen Holbert, Mary Richards, Elkins and Rose Davis and Dennis and Kathy Bailey.

In Maverick's two short hours of life, he felt the love of his family, the protection of being cradled to his daddy's heart and the comfort of his mommy's kisses on his cute button nose.

A celebration of love will be held for Maverick at a later date.

"Our joys will be greater, our love will be deeper, and our lives will be fuller because we shared your moment."

CHARLES LINDEN MORRISON

Charles Linden Morrison, 89, of Stumptown, died Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at Grady Memorial Hospital, Delaware, Ohio.



He was born in Freed, a son of the late Charles Clinton and Erma Gray Sharps Morrison.

He was a graduate of Calhoun County High School. He served in the US Army from June 1953 to May 1955.

Charles was married to the late Yvonne Marie Miller Morrison whom he married June 25, 1960 by Corley Miller at Shock Church of Christ. He retired from Babcock and Wilcox after 45 years of service.

He is survived by his sons, Charles Linden II (Monica) and Eric Scott; grandson Anthony (Natasha); two great-grandchildren, Aiden and Aryia.

In addition to his parents and wife, he is preceded in death by a daughter, Leigh Ann, on June 16, 1963 and a sister Dorothy Angeline McFarland.

A funeral service was held Monday, March 20, 2023, at Stump Funeral Home & Cremation, Inc., Arnoldsburg, with Gene Miller officiating. Interment was in Miller Cemetery, Shock.

JAMES "JIM" JARVIS

James (Jim) Jarvis, 93, died March 10, 2023 after a long battle with asthma and severe lung problems.

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This Week In History

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

1923

“Ted” Ferguson, of Revere, was a business caller in Grantsville Saturday.

A successful revival meeting is being conducted at the local Baptist Church by Pastor Hamrick.

Bert Francis, of Henrietta, was a business caller at the Chronicle office Saturday.

Miss Nettie Stump has been confined to her room this week with a severe cold.

Green Hartshorn and son, Oka, farmers of Pine Creek, were in Grantsville Wednesday and purchased a quantity of grass seed.

Mrs. John Collins has been on the sick list for the past week.

Mr. Eugene Rexroad and Perry Roberts of Macfarlan, have been working here this week.

Quite a few of the young people of this place gave a surprise to Mr. and Mrs. Denver Wilson last Saturday night. Several were present and all enjoyed a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Howard will move into the Ome Howard property at Grantsville the first of the week.

Mrs. Sam Maze has been very sick for several days.

G. A. Monroe is moving back to his farm on Bell Run from his property at Hartley where will have a sale at his farm and will then go to Texas where he and David Mathess, a former citizen of this county, have a store.

The Smithville Auto Club will meet at the schoolhouse in Smithville, on Saturday night for the purpose of recognizing and discussing the more important subjects pertaining to the work of the club this coming summer.

We urge every citizen interested in the betterment of roads generally, and more specifically a hard surface road from Harrisville to Grantsville to be present and heard.

We cannot secure the cooperation of the State Road Commission by sitting around stores discussing this very important project. Longfellow once said: “A man of words and not deeds, is like a garden full of weeds.”

Come out men, and let us get busy. Clem S. Morris, Pres.

1948

RADIO PROGRAM GIVEN BY CHS – Forty-five students of Calhoun County High School participated in the broadcast of “Calhoun County Chronicles in Story and Song” over radio station WPAR Sunday.

It was eleventh in a series of broadcasts by high schools under sponsorship of the Little Kanawha Regional Council.

They reviewed the history of Calhoun County from the days when Indians roamed the Little Kanawha Valley to the present time and discussed county residents who have become well-known in political, literary, religious and medical fields.

An account of early settlers revealed that it was in 1810 that people began establishing homes in the county with the first permanent settlement being made in Arnoldsburg by Phillip Starcher about 1811.

A history of Calhoun high school was traced from its beginning in 1922, when classes were held in the second floor of the old courthouse to the present, during which time 1,330 pupils have graduated and ten principals have served.

First class graduated in 1925, the first year the new building was used in South Grantsville. The building was destroyed in an estimated \$150,000 fire in 1942, and until it was rebuilt, classes were held without interruption in a dozen buildings in Grantsville.

An account of the county’s history in the recent war revealed that 1,331 were in the armed forces, 31 of whom were killed and 57 wounded. One man was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, seven received the Silver Star, nine were awarded the Air Medal, and a number of others received the Bronze Star and Oak Leaf Clusters.

Mentioned among those who have distinguished themselves in various fields were John M. Wolverton, who served several years in Congress; Albert G. Mathews, former president of the state senate and former state compensation commissioner; Boyd B. Stutler, managing editor of American Legion Magazine, who served as Grantsville’s mayor at the age of 21; W. A. Shimer, professor of philosophy in the University of Hawaii.

Dr. A. A. Schoolcraft, member of the faculty of West Virginia Wesleyan college; David Kirby, dean of Concord state college and former secretary of the state board of education; Wesley Kirby, superintendent of schools at Coolidge, Ariz.; Louis Reed, former resident and presently administrative assistant in the office of Sen. Chapman Revercomb.

Mentioned as prominent in medicine were Frederick Hathaway, Page Hamilton, Richard Hamilton, Guy Stalnaker, the late Dewitt McDonald and Ira C. Conley.

Ministers mentioned were Brown McDonald, Asa Harris, jr., Harley Francis, L. Roberts Stump and Ofa Stump.

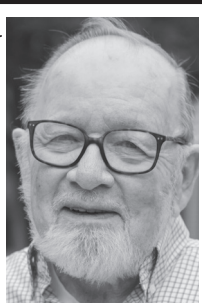
A chorus which sang “West Virginia Hills” and “Billy Boy” was directed by C. R. Yoho, and directors of the broadcast were Miss Eloise Gunn, Mrs. Sue M. Murray and Miss Edna Hall, faculty members.

Participating in the broadcast were the following students: Anna Caldwell, Betty Metz, Geneva Vaughan, Kathryn Chenoweth, Virginia Lamb, Doris Brannon, Ilene Allen, Barbara Altizer, Mary Giles, Carol Poling, Martha Wilson, Dessell Poling, Oleta Conley, Loretta Conley, Donald Weaver, Emogene Fowler, George Bell.

Genevieve Nichols, Violet Cain, Betty Riddel, Pauling Kerby, Martha Gainer, Gwendolyn McCray, Pauline Elliott, Fay Boothe, Virginia Ann Weaver, Emma Jean Kelley, Patricia Beckner, Phyllis Brown, Gwen White, Maxine Riggs, Thelma Buck, Drexel Ice, Richard Wolfe, Herman Ayers, Eugene White, William

CURIOSITY CORNER

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



This week’s question comes from a fly-scientious column reader.

How are your acronyms? An acronym is an abbreviation formed from the initial components in a phrase or word. Usually, these components are individual letters, like “P.S.” for “postscript,” which is when something is to a main body of writing.

Acronyms are quite common, sometimes to the point where we forget what they stand for. Let’s have a quiz to see if you know the bases for some common acronyms. The answers given are what I generally think of. You may have other correct ones... we acronymize a bunch.

Acronyms:

1. C.P.S.
2. USPS
3. EMS
4. AFL
5. NATO
6. ADT
7. CDC
8. CVS
9. ACA
10. DNA
11. ICU
12. LOL

Answers:

1. Curious Postscript (the saying or quote at the end of each Curiosity Corner)
2. United States Postal Service (mail delivery)

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3. Emergency Medical Services
4. American Football League (or American Federation of Labor)
5. North Atlantic Treaty Organization
6. American District Telegraph (now known for its home security systems)
7. Centers for Disease Control (and Prevention)
8. Consumer Value Stores/pharmacy (or “Consumer, Value, and Service”)
9. Affordable Care Act (Obamacare)
10. Deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA, a molecule that encodes the genetic instructions)
11. Intensive Care Unit (hospital)
12. Laughing Out Loud (internet speak)

C.P.S. (Curious Postscript): “A lot of fellows nowadays have a B.A., M.S., or Ph.D. Unfortunately, they don’t have a J.O.B.” -Fats Domino

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

Ice, Carolyn Hathaway, Doris Gainer, Geraldine Vannoy, Edna Whipkey, Ann Bowser, Dean Wilson, and Hubert Kemper.

1973

NEW ERA IN PUBLISHING WITH SALE OF CHRONICLE – A new era in the history of your Calhoun Chronicle began last week with the sale of the newspaper to Gilmer Graphics, Inc., of Glenville.

A year and a half ago, Robert Arnold, a native West Virginian, resigned his position as a Senior Vice President of the First National City Bank in New York to return to his hometown of Glenville. He brought with him Stanley Meseroll, a New Jerseyan and former managing editor of “Sports Afield” magazine. Together, they formed Gilmer Graphics and bought The Glenville Democrat and Pathfinder from Linn B. Hickman and launched new careers in the weekly newspaper field.

Their move was prompted by a desire to leave the metropolitan area to settle and raise their families in an uncongested, healthy country environment. Since that move, made in September 1971, Arnold, president and publisher of the firm, and Meseroll, vice president and editor of the newspapers, have devoted much of their time to promoting Central West Virginia and on projects aimed at bettering the community life of their county.

Inasmuch as Calhoun and Gilmer counties are closely connected from an historical, topographic and economic aspect, the acquisition of The Chronicle will allow them to expand these efforts. Generally, the people in the two counties pursue the same vocational interests, the county seats are just 20 miles apart, and the two counties are linked together in a number of programs and projects including a new joint vocational-technical school.

While the staff at The Chronicle will remain as employees of Gilmer Graphics, the publishing firm does plan to convert the printing of the Calhoun paper to a process known as “offset” as soon as possible. The Chronicle was exploring this process when the decision to join with its up-river neighbor was made.

The sale of The Chronicle brings to an end a printing and newspaper career that spans more than 60 years. It began when, as a 12-year-old boy, Olin J. Barrows was hired to run errands for a Putnam County publisher. In his home town of Winfield, in the year 1912, there were three newspapers, one owned by the Winfield postmaster. Since postmasters were then paid by cancellation, one of the other publishers preferred to send most of his outgoing mail across the Kanawha River to the Red House post office. So, for the sum of \$2 weekly, Olin Barrows made two trips each day across the river in a jon boat, along with other errands.

It was natural to put the errand boy to feeding the press, to staple catalogs, and do all kinds of odd jobs, finally on an hourly basis, the pay scale being

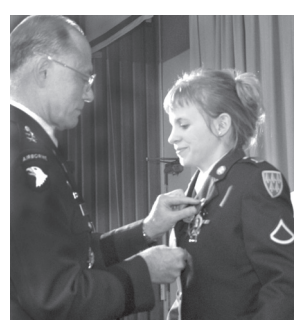
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This Week In West Virginia History

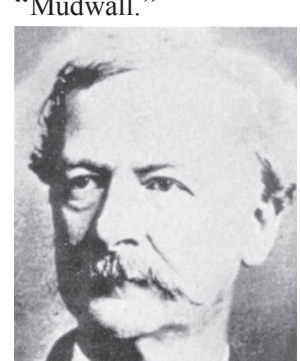
The following events happened from March 23 - March 29 in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia’s people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit www.wvencyclopedia.org.

March 23, 2003: Private Jessica Lynch of Palestine, Wirt County, was serving as a supply clerk with the Army’s 507th Maintenance Company when she was captured by Iraqi forces after her group was ambushed.



March 24, 1890: Confederate General William Lowther “Mudwall” Jackson died in Louisville. Jackson, who was born in Clarksburg, joined the Confederate Army as a private.

After helping to organize an infantry unit, he was promoted to colonel. He served on the staff of his cousin, Gen. Thomas J. “Stonewall” Jackson, and was jokingly nicknamed “Mudwall.”



March 25, 1878: Attorney General Armistead Abraham “Cousin Abe” Lilly was born at Jumping Branch, Summers County. Lilly appealed the Virginia Debt Suit to the U.S. Supreme Court; when settled, it was estimated that Lilly had saved the state a large sum of money.

March 26, 1851: Upshur County was created from parts of Randolph, Lewis and Barbour counties, with Buckhannon as the county seat.

March 26, 1863: The state’s first constitution was overwhelmingly ratified by the voters, by a majority of 28,321 to 572. The constitution was drafted during the state’s first

Constitutional Convention at the federal custom house in Wheeling.

March 26, 1920: Aviator Rose Agnes Rolls Cousins was born. She was the first Black woman to become a solo pilot in the Civilian Pilot Training Program at West Virginia State College (now University).

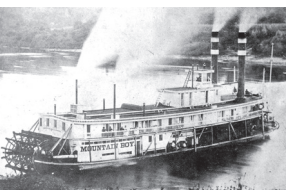


March 27, 1826: Laura Jackson Arnold, the younger sister of “Stonewall” Jackson, was born in Clarksburg. During the Civil War, she was a staunch Unionist and opened her home to care for sick and injured troops.

March 27, 1917: Statesman Cyrus Roberts Vance was born in Clarksburg. In 1977, President Carter tapped Vance as his secretary of state. In 1978, Vance was instrumental in the Camp David peace accord between Egypt and Israel and in negotiating the Panama Canal Treaty.



March 28, 1870: State officials, with state records and property, boarded a steamboat called Mountain Boy, one of six steamboats that moved West Virginia’s capital from Wheeling to Charleston.



March 28, 1941: Musician Charlie McCoy was born in Oak Hill. One of the most significant harmonica players in country music, his work can also be heard on rock ‘n’ roll albums, including several of Bob Dylan’s. He was the musical director for the TV program Hee Haw.

March 29, 1834: Henry Mason Mathews, the fifth governor of West Virginia, was born at Frankford, Greenbrier County. There were strikes and riots during much of his administration, including the national railroad strike of 1877, which began at Martinsburg.



March 29, 1858: Clay County was created from parts of Nicholas and Braxton counties and named for Henry Clay, the U.S. senator from Kentucky.

For More Information about W.Va. history please check out e-WV : The West Virginia Encyclopedia is a project of the W. Va. Humanities Council, 1310 Kanawha Blvd. E., Charleston, WV 25301; 304-346-8500 or www.wvencyclopedia.org

Calhoun Library Trivia Night Mar. 23

Come and join us at 6 p.m. for some trivia fun. Teams of 5 people will compete in 6 rounds of trivia questions, with 10 questions per round. The team with the most correct answers in the end will win a prize. If you do not have a team, come anyway. We may be able to pair with a team needing more players. It will be a fun time!

My Home Among the Hills

by Melody Walburn



Why is time so fickle? When you want it to go fast, it drags along. When you want it to go slow, it flies by. I experience this phenomenon every weekend. I pack up my school bag on Friday afternoon and head home ready to use the next 48 hours to rest, relax, and rejuvenate. Then I blink my eyes, and it is Sunday evening. Those two days literally seem to fly by. Of course, it isn't just the weekend. It's any vacation time and of course the worst example is summer vacation. There really is no explanation for how fast the days of June and July go by compared to those of January and February.

This time conundrum is probably hitting me harder this weekend because daylight saving time messed with my sleep cycles, and I haven't been feeling 100%. I am not sure if it is sinuses or allergies but I have been battling whatever it is since Wednesday. A Covid test ruled out that possibility, so I have been taking over the counter medications and just letting it run its course. I seem to be on the mend now, but it will take a few more days for me to feel like myself again.

Thankfully, this was a relatively quiet week. We started the fourth grading period, so there was no rush on grading, and I am trying to stay a bit ahead on my planning in preparation for spring break. I only had two meetings in the evening, so most nights I was able to come home, take a shower, put on comfy clothes, and just rest. I even got a little reading done. I decided to check out Agatha Christie's Hercule Poirot series. They are short enough I can read one in an evening, and that is just about perfect for the time I can give pleasure reading these days.

Reading was what helped me to get to sleep as I lie in bed trying to convince my body it was 10:00 when really it was only 9:00. Trust me, that same body had no problem letting me know it was 4:00 am not 5:00 am when I had to get up in the pitch dark again to get ready to go to work. I know it will eventually even out, but it hasn't so far. I am trying to convince myself that it is worth it when I look out the window at 7:30 in the evening and still see daylight, but I am not being very convincing.

I know I will be grateful for that daylight in the upcoming days. While last week was a quiet one, this one is not.

I am counting on the extra rest I got this weekend to do the trick and get my body back in gear because I have a lot on my calendar. My nephew Landon is on spring break this week and wants to spend a bit of it here. The plan is to meet his mom halfway one evening and bring him back. Then his mom and dad will come down for the weekend and take him home. My sister Missy and niece Hannah are also coming in for the weekend and will need to be picked up in St. Mary's on Friday night. We also have an old friend and her family coming for a visit, so it is going to be a packed weekend.

In preparation for all of this company coming, I will need to do a little sweeping, dusting, and grocery shopping.

I already have my Easter decorations up, so that is one task I can cross off my list. All of this will need to be done at the beginning of the week because I have parent-teacher conferences on Thursday evening until seven. I guess I will just take it one day at a time and accomplish what I can.

Unfortunately, the conferences will cause me to miss the library's second trivia night. This really bums me out because I had so much fun the last time. I definitely plan to visit the library next week in preparation for my spring break. I have two weeks until my vacation occurs, and I want to make sure I have lots of reading material for my time off. I won't be traveling anywhere this year, so it will be a staycation, but I am perfectly fine with that.

My time is running short now, so I need to finish this up and start my bedtime routine. There is a lunch to pack, clothes to lay out, medicine to take, and a bedtime to meet. As I mentioned earlier, my Sunday has sped by, and Monday morning will be here in the blink of an eye. Now, Monday, well that day will take its good old time.

But I am repeating myself now, so I will wish you all a great week. The weatherman says it is going to warm up for a bit so get out there and enjoy it while it lasts. April showers are just around the corner.

WIC Program

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

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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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.

Solid Waste

Calhoun County Solid Waste will meet on Wednesday, March 22 at 4 p.m. at Mom's Place Too, in Grantsville.

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)

I know you will not blame me for accepting this important position, one consideration, is it will enable me to get out much sooner than I otherwise could, for just as soon as the Regiment becomes reduced below five hundred men, I can get out, and this will take place between the present time and next August, and should I live, I will expect to get back by that time, yet we cannot tell what may occur before that time, but we can only trust to the kind hand of Providence, which has so carefully and tenderly kept us these three long, long years which have passed away since our acquaintance. I feel confident that we will yet meet and live happily together.

Let me assure you that you have never written anything that could in any way appear offensive to me. On the contrary, I prize your every line and word, as gems of cheer and comfort, and wish you to write just as often as you can.

Let me explain to you that soldier life in this army is much more pleasant than many think for, indeed I think it is much more agreeable than we had in the valley. We have plenty to eat, enough to wear, very good quarters and if we do have to fight some, we do not have to march a month, for we are in sight of the enemy at all times.

Indeed its so cold to night I can scarcely write any at all, and you must excuse me if, my letter is not as interesting as usual, the first warm day, I will write again, and try to do better. This has been one of the most disagreeable days of the season, the wind has blown very hard all day and been freezing all the time. I have to stop and warm every few minutes.

I esteem your keepsake very much and will preserve it carefully as a sacred relic.

I will write an answer to your brothers letter in a day or two. I am in good health, and hope this may find you the same.

This is Sunday night, and how I would like to be at your bright fireside, just about this time, but so it is. I must content myself and let us hope for the bright days of future, happiness.

So good night, accept my true love, affectionately yours,

Michael

Parkersburg, W.Va.
Feb the 17, 1865

Dear Brother Michael,

I again take my pen in hand to write you a few lines witch will inform you that we are all well at this time and truly hoping these lines may find you enjoying the same blessing. I sent you a letter day before yesterday but as I am going to send you a paper I thought I would write a few lines and enclose with the paper.

Mamma sends you a hankerchief witch I hope you may receive, all right now if you need any more stamps just let me know and i will send you some. Now we want you to send us instructions how to direct a letter to that young Lawyer Fleming, as we want to write to him a bout our land matters with regard to our deed, and we have forgot where to direct a letter to him.

Well the war news seems to be generally good in the papers, and a great many people seem to think the war will end this coming spring. I hope it may. The Maj. S. has got home from Washington we have not seen him yet. Lieut. Mountz has been to Wheeling and got back home, brought the word that you are promoted to Major, I recon some of them will be some what surprised, at hearing of it. Well I must close for the present time Except our kind regards,

I still remain your Brother,
Adolphus

Head Qrs. 11th WVa Vols
Chapins Farm Va. Feb 18, 1865

My Dear Mary:

I am permitted once more to have the privilege of writing you a letter, to inform you that I am yet in good health, and most truly hope that this may find you in the enjoyment of the same good blessing.

Well my dear girl, I must inform you that I have received the promotion to Major, as I told you I thought I would. I received the commission as such on 14th this month, and have been mustered in. This is indeed a more important position than I ever expected to fill, but a man don't know what he may come to. Little did I think of such a thing when I was at your home the last time. Lieut Wm H King is Lieut Colonel and he is a good fellow. We are getting along elegant, and I feel happy to say all the officers and men of the Regiment are very much pleased, with us, and are working with us manfully to get the old 11th Regt in good order, which will soon be accomplished.

(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.)

Mon. Mar. 27: pinto beans with ham, kraut, apples, cornbread, onions.

Tues. Mar. 28: spaghetti and meat /tomato sauce, onions and peppers, vegetables, fruit, whole wheat roll.

Wed. Mar. 29: cooks choice.

Thur. Mar. 30: steam

vegetables, chicken and pasta, onions, fruit
Fri. Mar. 31: cooks choice.

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.

Senior Farmer's Market Information

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) is pleased to announce the return and expansion of the West Virginia Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP).

SFMNP is designed to get fresh, local fruits and vegetables to low income senior citizens. Seniors sign up for the vouchers used to purchase the fruits and vegetables from local producers at their county level senior center. Senior applications will be available after June 1st at the local senior centers.

Farmers wishing to participate in the program should note that applications are now available and due March 31, 2023. Late applications will NOT be accepted. Information and applications can be found at Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program: West Virginia Department of Agriculture (wv.gov).

For more information, contact SeniorFarmersMarket@wvda.us or Angel Wallace awallace@wvda.us 304-558-2210.

Unclaimed Property Information

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – State Treasurer Riley Moore today announced his Office's Unclaimed Property Division returned more than \$2.4 million worth of unclaimed property to individuals, businesses and other organizations during the month of February, continuing the record pace of returns this fiscal year.

The Office processed \$2,430,607 worth of payments during February, third month in a row to see historic top 10 returns.

"This is the people's money that for one reason or another has been lost or forgotten, and we're proud to be returning it to them at the fasted pace in state history," Treasurer Moore said. "We continue to encourage everyone to visit our website:

www.wvtreasury.com to see if we're holding any money for you."

The State Treasurer's Office has been returning money at a record pace since the start of the fiscal year last July 1. With February's totals included, the Unclaimed Property Division has returned nearly \$16.6 million so far this fiscal year, already approaching the record \$18.6 million returned last fiscal year.

Treasurer Moore said his Office has more than \$300 million in unclaimed property listings for individuals, businesses and other organizations. He encourages everyone to visit www.wvtreasury.com today to search and see if they have funds to claim.

What is Unclaimed Property?

Unclaimed property can include financial accounts or items of value in which the owner has not initiated any activity for one year or longer. Common examples include unpaid life insurance benefits, forgotten bank accounts and unused rebate cards. (While the title includes the word "property," it does not however include real estate.)

West Virginia's unclaimed property laws protect the public by ensuring money and property owed to them is returned to them, rather than remaining permanently with financial institutions, business associations, governments and other entities. The Treasurer seeks to reunite the unclaimed property, including uncashed paychecks, stocks, or safe deposit box contents, with its owner.

Nationwide, nearly 33 million people in the United States – one in every 10 – are estimated to have unclaimed property available for them to claim.

How Can I Find Unclaimed Property in My Name?

West Virginians searching for lost financial assets can go to www.wvtreasury.com, then click on the large Unclaimed Property "Search" button to the right of the page under the heading, "Are We Holding Your Money?"

In addition to finding property, the www.wvtreasury.com website will also help you track a claim. A demonstration of how to use the Unclaimed Property search site is available on the Treasurer's YouTube page, at: <https://youtu.be/K09yQ7YNKIE>.

To search for lost financial assets outside West Virginia, visit www.MissingMoney.com.

GSU: Military Appreciation Ball

GLENVILLE, WV – Members of the Glenville State University Student Veterans Association are planning a Military Appreciation Ball on Saturday, April 15 in the Mollohan Campus Community Center Ballroom.

The evening includes a social hour at 5:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:00 p.m. Semi-formal attire is suggested.

Tickets are \$35 each with a \$10 discount for veterans. Visit <https://go.glenville.edu/MilitaryBall> to purchase tickets.

For more information, contact Glenville State's Veteran Certifying Official, Charles Yakubow at Charles.Yakubow@glenville.edu or 462-6155.

Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

Well, spring dropped by Grantsville briefly on Monday just to touch base and declare that it was now the season. As Spring was leaving town it was heard to declare, "I will return this Thursday with a more "springlike" day for you.

I guess that is why it may approach 75 degrees on that day.

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As it is though, March has always been known to be a very fickle month. We usually see variations of all of winter weather displayed throughout March. Regardless of what we would like the weather to be, it is what it is. Hot, cold, dry, rainy, snowy, etc.

However, it looks as if this week may be the last wintry week for a while. One can only hope that the fruit trees and yard and wild blossoms have been harmed too much by this spell of warm weather in January and February followed by overnight freezes in March.

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As a boy, I used to use an old fishing pole to fly kites where the Grantsville pool park was. Since March was so windy, I would get the kite sky borne and then affix the fishing pole to one of the stone pillars at the western end of the parking lot.

I could then walk to town and still see my kite flying high over the town park, until the line would break and my homemade kite would head off to visit Gilmer County for a while.

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After not wetting a line in a fishing hole last year, Jeanne and I have been discussing some of the fishing trips that we plan to take this summer after her hip is replaced.

We have not taken a Vacation in decades and we both miss fishing in the upper Elk, Gauley and Cheat Rivers. Perhaps we will take a little time to visit some of those places for a day's fishing excursion.

Jeanne's hip was scheduled to be replaced in the spring of 2020 but we all know what happened then, COVID-19.

She has had to suffer severe pain from her sciatic nerve being compressed for all of this time due to the restrictions placed upon physicians prescribing pain medications and the opioid crisis.

While it is totally understandable why the prescribing limitations were put in place, it seems that people who suffer from intense pain have nothing else to turn to.

Perhaps the medical profession needs to come up with an answer to this problem other than just saying, "Sorry about the agonizing pain, just suffer through it. You don't want to become an addict do you?"

While no one wants to become addicted to pain pills, it is also true that there does not seem to be anything else that can reduce intense pain, either prescription or over the counter.

Well, at least Jeanne now has a date scheduled for her surgery, early in May.

Hopefully her hip socket will last that long. I wonder what WVU medicine will do for her if the socket fails and her hip becomes dislocated? Neither of us wants to find out the answer to that question.

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Our trilliums, both the ill scented and white, have poked their leaves up through the soil by a few inches and the fiddlehead ferns are also now peeking up at the sky.

Morels have already been found in southern West Virginia and hummingbirds are beginning their trek northward to our holler. So far they have not entered West Virginia yet (at least not on the mapping and tracking site that I utilize) but they

Calhoun B.O.E. Student Athletes Recognitions For March

The Board of Education is proud to recognize local West Virginia Youth Wrestling Association State Championship Winners, Nicolis Butler, 12u, 145 lb., W.Va. Youth Wrestling Association State Championship, 2nd place and W.Va. Junior State Championship, 3rd place; Issac Fitzwater, 6 and under HWT lb., W.Va. Youth Wrestling Association State Championship, 5th place and W.Va. Junior State Championship, 4th place; Christopher Morris, 8u, 65 lb., W.Va. Junior State Championship, 2nd place; and Brantley Schoolcraft, 8u, 75 lb., W.Va. Youth Wrestling Association State Championship, 8th place and W.Va. Junior State Championship, 5th place. Those not pictured are Ezra Anderson, 12u, 115 lb., W.Va. Youth Wrestling Association State Championship, 3rd place; Cooper Summers, 10u, 75 lb., W.Va. Youth Wrestling Association State Championship, 6th place; Reese Schoolcraft, 15u, 175 lb., W.Va. Junior State Championship, 4th place; and Paisley Cummings, girls 12u, 77 to 87 lb., W.Va. Youth Wrestling Association State Championship, 2nd place. Congratulations!



Nicolis Butler, 12u, 145 lb.



Isaac Fitzwater, 6 and under, heavyweight



Christopher Morris, 8u, 65 lb.



Brantley Schoolcraft, 8u, 75 lb.

will be here next month. I look forward to seeing them return to the holler for another summer. We miss them when they go south.

2023 Calhoun M/HS Senior Girls Softball Schedule

March	
15, 4:30 p.m.	WirtH
17, 4:30 p.m.	Braxton....H
21, 4:30 p.m.	Clay H
23, 4:30 p.m.	Gilmer ... H
25, 12p.m.	Tygart Valley M/Senior High A
27, 4:30 p.m.	Wirt A
28, 5:00 p.m.	South HarrisonA
30, 4:30 p.m.	Doddridge County H
31, 5:00 p.m.	RoaneA
April	
4, 4:30 p.m.	Webster ... H
6, 4:30 p.m.	Braxton.A
7, 5:30 p.m.	Ritchie ... A
11, 4:30 p.m.	Roane .. H
13, 6:00 p.m.	Clay A
14, 4:30 p.m.	Ritchie ... H
15, 12	Ravenswood ...H
18, 5:00 p.m.	Gilmer ... A
20, 4:45 p.m.	South HarrisonH
21, 6:00 p.m.	Trinity ChristianA
24, 5:00 p.m.	Webster ...A
27	TBDPM LKC.....H
28	TBDPM LKC.....H
29	TBDPM LKC Rain

May
1 TBDPM Sectional....H
Schedule is subject to change.

EDTalks Aviation Industry Program for WV Students

By Matt Young, West Virginia Press Association
CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The sky's the limit on March 30, when The Education Alliance hosts EDTalks at Yeager Airport's Bill Noe Flight School.

The Sky's the Limit EDTalks will feature two distinguished speakers: Education Alliance Board Member and 2023 W.Va. State Teacher of the Year Amber Nichols and Marshall University's Chief Aviation Officer - and flight school namesake - Bill Noe.

The event, which begins at 11:30 a.m., is free to attend and open to the public.

Attendees to the event will have the opportunity to interact with both Nichols and Noe, as well as tour the facilities at the Bill Noe Flight School.

Registration for the event is required and may be completed by visiting educationalliance.org, or the event page.

Attendees are encouraged to register early, as space is limited. Lunch will be provided to all registered attendees.

"The Education Alliance Board of Directors is made up of industry leaders from across the state," said Amelia Courts, president and CEO of The Education Alliance. "We have manufacturing, healthcare, finance - a variety of industries and really good geographic representation."

"We had a board member from the Wood County-area and a board member from the Huntington County-area," Courts said. "Both of those board members said, 'We really need to start paying attention to the aviation industry.'"

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) estimates the passenger-growth of domestic airlines to be 4.9% per year for the next 20 years. Recognizing the opportunities which this growth provides to West Virginia's youth, Education Alliance Board Member and Marshall University First Lady Alys Smith soon arranged for her fellow board members to tour the Bill Noe Flight School facility.

"We began to dig into the opportunities for high school students," Courts said. "The Marshall flight school, and the other flight schools and aviation programs across West Virginia, have prepared this opportunity for higher education students. Now we have to build a pipeline. We have to get kids interested in middle school - in high school - so that the recruiting aspect is easy on the higher ed side."

"We have to have students and parents and families engaged and interested, and aware, frankly, of these kinds of opportunities," Courts noted.

According to Courts, The Education Alliance hopes to open the pipeline to not only the various flight schools throughout the state, but to training on aviation maintenance as well.

As explained on their website, "The Education Alliance is a nonprofit organization that advocates for a quality public education for all West Virginia children. It was established in July 1983 by business executives who saw the importance of supporting public schools and giving the business community a voice in education." It is the goal of The Education Alliance that, "Every West Virginia public school student will graduate ready to begin a career or pursue additional education and training."

"What we're learning in education is that technical careers are first class," Courts said. "They're first class in terms of high wage, and they're first class in terms of high skill. No longer are you seeing this two-tiered system where you have professional vs. technical careers."

"We want every student in West Virginia, whether their passion and dream is more on the technical/maintenance side, or more on the pilot side, we want them all to have equal opportunity and vision for what their future can look like," Courts added.

During EDTalks, Noe, a former Marshall University Hall of Fame swimmer and accomplished business executive, will discuss the importance of education in aviation, as well as his contributions to the Bill Noe Flight School.

Nichols, a kindergarten teacher with 21 years experience in the West Virginia school system, will speak about the challenges and rewards of being an educator in the Mountain State.

"What we're seeing right now is a double win," Courts said. "We're seeing opportunities with new, large companies moving to West Virginia, and then we're also seeing the national growth in aviation opportunities."

"We want to be an aviation hub for the region beyond West Virginia," Courts added. "But we also want to make sure that we have a strong aviation network and workforce."

Gov. Justice: State Tax Dept

CHARLESTON, WV – Gov. Jim Justice announced today that the West Virginia State Tax Department has officially released new personal income tax withholding tables for the 2023 tax year. West Virginia employers should begin using the revised tables immediately.

"Starting on their next paycheck, all West Virginians will begin seeing real dollars in their pocket from the largest tax cut in our state's history," Gov. Justice said. "At my direction, our Tax Department wasted no time making these revisions, so that we can help our people struggling with inflation, and give them back their share of our state's financial successes."

The reduced withholdings and estimated tax payments are projected to return \$595 million dollars to West Virginians in calendar year 2023.

All documents will be posted to the Tax Department's website, including:

- 1) Employer's Withholding Notice - IT-100.1.A
- 2) Employee's Withholding/Exemption Certificate - IT 104
- 3) Percentage Method of Withholding - IT-100.2.A
- 4) Table Method of Withholding - IT-100.2.B

On March 7, 2023, Gov. Justice signed HB 2526 immediately reducing the income tax in tax year 2023 by an average of 21.25%.

West Virginia employers with questions regarding these revisions should contact the West Virginia Tax Department on their website or by calling 304-558-3333.

W.Va. Sate Attorney General Office

Taking the fight for fairness in female sports all the way to the US Supreme Court.

It's a case of simple biology.

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Our case is about the issue of fairness in women's sports, a West Virginia law that we are taking all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court. We believe the Court will see the issue the way we do: this is about protecting opportunities for women and girls in sports because when biological males compete and win in a women's event, female athletes lose their opportunity to shine.

We are asking the Supreme Court to allow us to enforce the Shine Women's Sports Act, which simply demands that all biological males, including those who identify as transgender girls, are ineligible for participation on girls' sports teams. Some will claim this is simply discrimination, but nothing could be further from the truth.

The injunction reinstated by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit against the state law harms biological female athletes, who will continue to be displaced as long as biological males join women's sports teams. In that way, the Fourth Circuit's decision undermines equal protection it doesn't advance it. If males are allowed to compete alongside females, fairness evaporates.

Lainey Armistead, who played soccer at West Virginia State University, intervened in the case when a biological male student identifying as a female at Bridgeport Middle School challenged the Act.

Lainey's story echoes the experiences of female athletes across the nation.

She recalls playing soccer with her brothers and other boys, whom she said were, even though younger, much stronger and faster than her or other girls, for that matter.

She had the opportunity to play soccer in college on a level playing field because of Title IX, a federal statute that was signed into law on June 23, 1972. It prohibits sex-based discrimination in any school or any other education program that receives funding from the federal government. It's really quite simple: Title IX dictates that girls and women get their fair share of opportunities in education, and its regulations make it clear that this could be accomplished in school athletic programs by having "separate teams for members of each sex" where the teams are based on competitive skill.

West Virginia enacted HB 3293 on April 28, 2021. It was designed to maintain the integrity of girls' and women's sports in both secondary and postsecondary public schools. The Act was in furtherance of Title IX's efforts to promote athletic opportunities for female athletes.

This is the first case of its kind to reach the high court. Make no mistake, we will keep fighting so female athletes can compete on a level playing field.

West Virginia's law protects fairness and safety for girls and women in sports. It's really that simple.

Patrick Morrissey is the Attorney General of West Virginia.

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Annamoriah Creek -- Affordable hunting property with easy ATV access, this is it! 94 acres on this property is perfect for the avid outdoorsman. Ideal for hunting or off-grid living. Access to the property via a lazy county road. The old well road to the top of the hill is easily accessible using an ATV. **Priced at \$94,900.**

3565 N. Calhoun Highway, Grantsville -- Perfect starter home with large back yard! 3-bedroom, 1-bathroom home with around 1,000 sq.ft., sitting on just under 1 acre. Utilities connected are city water, electric, gas and septic. High speed internet through Shentel makes it perfect for working from home! The living room and dining room create an open concept with a small kitchen off of the dining room. The bathroom is on the main level, with a dry, full, unfinished basement below that could be finished for additional square footage. Outside there is a covered full length front porch that wraps around the left side of the home to the back door that is perfect to sit and listen to the small water fountain. The back yard is spacious with a small storage shed for equipment. Less than a mile from Pleasant Hill Elementary School and 3 miles from the Town of Grantsville. **\$72,900.**

Little Rowels Run, Creston -- CHEAP AND STEEP, YES YOU READ THAT CORRECTLY. This property has a small area to pull a camper on or build a tiny home. Other than that, the 46.10 (recently surveyed) acres has very extremely steep topography, all wooded, no utilities available, no neighbors within sight, and property is priced accordingly. Come make us an offer and figure out what you can do with this property. **\$44,900.**

57 Hicks Road, Chloe -- A truly must-see property. This beautiful 3 bed, 1 bath has just about everything you could wish for in a home. From its large 48x28 workshop with vehicle lift, to its own separate canning/meat processing 29x22 building with walk in cooler. Need additional storage???. How about three more storage buildings. With 6.3+/-acres, you have plenty of land for a garden. With reported free gas, you can save on those monthly heating/cooking expenses. So, if you have toys, this is the place for you. If you're into prepping and storing your own food, this is the place for you. The owner has thought of almost everything you would want in a property. Homes like this don't hit the market very often, so you owe it to yourself to come take a look. **\$340,000. SALE PENDING**

1085 Pond Run Road, Chloe -- Looking for that beautiful log home in the country? This spacious 3 bed, 2 bath on 4.89 acres has all the charm and seclusion you've been longing? From its amazing high beamed ceilings to the large wrap around porch, this home is made for entertaining and maximum relaxation. Small, fenced area for your pets, large shop space for farm equipment/toys and a 30x36 detached shop for all your storage needs. Owner reported FREE GAS with an emergency backup generator. After a long day's work, make sure you soak in the jacuzzi tub. If you've never witnessed a star lit night in West Virginia, you are in for a treat. This is a steal for this price. **\$265,500. SALE PENDING**

955 Vaughn Road, Grantsville -- 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 area flows easily into the kitchen area with a view of the bedrooms and the Master Bedroom and Bathroom. Central heating and air. The basement of this 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.

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Help Wanted

The Calhoun County Commission will accept applications for a full time custodial/maintenance position at the courthouse and the county park. Applicant must possess plumbing and other maintenance skills along with physical capabilities of mowing and weedeating. Applications can be picked up at the County Clerk's office. Deadline to apply is Monday, March 27, 2023. Full time with retirement and health insurance. Equal Opportunity Employer.
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Personal Ad

WANTED - Small lady, size 12W with nice figure for relationship. Send photo, phone number and address to Emory King, 4167 Yellow Creek Road, Big Bend, WV 26136. Ladies write only.
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WANTED - Older retired man seeks help with household chores; possible longer term plans. Please write PO Box 61, Arnoldsburg, WV 25234.
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Snow Removal

NOW accepting bids for snow removal at the Calhoun DHHR Office parking lot. Anyone wishing to submit a bid, please send to: Calhoun Co. DHHR, Attn: Sheila Schoolcraft, P.O. Box 280, Grantsville, WV 26147. Please submit bids as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 304-354-6118. Please ask for Sheila Schoolcraft or Patricia Richards.
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WANTED

WANTED - Make pallets at home, for Ohio pallet company. Send photo, pallet length and address to: Emory King, 4167 Yellow Creek Road, Big Bend, WV 26136. Pallet companies write only, that's paying good price, each wooden pallet.
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Division of Highways
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Call Contract	State Project	Federal Project	Description
005	2021000740	S399-STR/IP-23.02	NHPP-2023(244)D PAVEMENT MARKINGS INTERSTATE STRIPING STATEWIDE COUNTY: CALHOUN, CLAY, DODDRIDGE

DBE GOAL: 10% OF CONTRACT BID AMOUNT. BIDDER MUST PROVIDE WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF MEETING GOAL ON FORM IN PROPOSAL.

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CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024**

The following is a true copy from the record of orders entered by CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION on the 13th day of March 2023:

Class	Certificate of Valuation Assessed Value for Tax Purposes	Current Expense Levy	
		Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Class I			
Personal Property	\$ -	19.40	\$ -
Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class I	-	-	-
Class II			
Real Estate	105,512,970	38.80	409,390
Personal Property	637,316	-	2,473
Total Class II	106,150,286	-	411,863
Class III			
Real Estate	36,636,400	77.60	284,298
Personal Property	36,824,279	-	285,756
Public Utilities	269,369,375	-	2,090,306
Total Class III	342,830,054	-	2,660,360
Class IV			
Real Estate	4,382,140	77.60	34,005
Personal Property	3,359,796	-	26,072
Public Utilities	2,126,406	-	16,501
Total Class IV	9,868,342	-	76,578
Total Assessed Valuation and Projected Gross Tax Collections \$ 458,848,682			
Less uncollectibles, exonerations and delinquencies		6.00%	(188,928)
Less tax discounts		1.00%	(29,599)
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing - see worksheet (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)			-
Net Projected Tax Collections, before allowance for Assessor's Valuation Fund			2,930,274
Less - Assessor's Valuation Fund (Subtracted from regular current expense tax levy only)		2.00%	(58,605)
Projected Net Taxes to be Collected			\$ 2,871,669

Note: Copies of all approved excess and/or bond levy orders and certified copies of the canvass of votes must be on file with the State Auditor's Office and the State Department of Education before excess or bond levy rates can be approved.

SIGNED THIS 13th DAY OF MARCH, 2023
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Class	Excess Levy		Permanent Improvement		Bond Levy	
	Levy Rates/\$100	Taxes Levied	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied	Levy Rate/\$100	Taxes Levied
Class I						
Personal Property	0.714	\$ -	-	\$ -	1.66	\$ -
Public Utilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Class I	-	-	-	-	-	-
Class II						
Real Estate	1.43	15,067	-	-	3.32	35,030
Personal Property	-	91	-	-	-	212
Total Class II	-	15,158	-	-	-	35,242
Class III						
Real Estate	2.86	10,463	-	-	6.64	24,327
Personal Property	-	10,517	-	-	-	24,451
Public Utilities	-	76,932	-	-	-	178,861
Total Class III	-	97,912	-	-	-	227,639
Class IV						
Real Estate	2.86	1,252	-	-	6.64	2,910
Personal Property	-	960	-	-	-	2,231
Public Utilities	-	607	-	-	-	1,412
Total Class IV	-	2,819	-	-	-	6,553
Total Assessed Valuation and Projected Gross Tax Collections \$ 115,889						
Less Allowance for uncollectibles, exonerations and delinquencies	6.00%	(6,953)	6.00%	-	0.18%	484
Less Allowance for tax discounts	1.00%	(1,089)	1.00%	-	-	-
Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing-see worksheet P/1		-		-		-
Net Projected Tax Collections before Assessor's Fund		-		-		-
Less-Allowance for Assessor's Valuation Fund		-		-		-
Projected Net Taxes to be Collected		\$ 107,847		\$ -		\$ 268,950
Total Projected Net Taxes from Regular and Excess Levies		\$ 2,979,516				

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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Williamson Shriver Architects Project
2022-056**

The Administrative Council Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center, Grantsville, WV will receive bids for **Roof Replacement at Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center** until 1:00 p.m. prevailing time on April 10, 2023 at the Council Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center, 5260 East Little Kanawha Hwy, Grantsville, WV 26147, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

A **MANDATORY** Pre-Bid Conference, for General Construction, has been scheduled for **March 24, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.**, at the Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center, 5260 East Little Kanawha Hwy, Grantsville, WV 26147. A site visit will be conducted following the meeting.

The contract documents are available only from the architect's electronic distribution system. Login credentials will be sent to all prospective contractors and subcontractors after the request is made to bidders@wsgarch.com. Addenda will be only distributed electronically from the Architects electronic distribution system to bidders registered in attendance at the mandatory pre-bid meeting.

Each Bidder must be registered with the West Virginia Department of Tax and Revenue prior to the time and date for Receipt of Bids in order for his Bid to be considered. Each Bidder's registration certificate number shall be written in the space provided on the Form of Proposal.

All bidders are required to be license to perform work in the State prior to submitting a bid for this project as required by Chapter 21, Article 11, of the Code of West Virginia. Each Bidder's Contractor license number shall be written in the space provided on the Form of Proposal.

A satisfactory bid bond furnished by a solvent surety company authorized to do business in the State of West Virginia, in an amount equal to five (5%) of the total amount of bid, payable to the Calhoun-Gilmer Administrative Council shall be submitted with each Bid.

Each (The) successful bidder will be required to furnish satisfactory Performance Bond and Payment Bond and the fee for same shall be included in their bid.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids for at least thirty (30) days. The Administrative Council Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center, Grantsville WV reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class I	-	-	-
Class II			
Real Estate	-	38.80	-
Personal Property	-	-	-
Total Class II	-	-	-
Class III			
Real Estate	-	77.60	-
Personal Property	-	-	-
Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class III	-	-	-
Class IV			
Real Estate	-	77.60	-
Personal Property	-	-	-
Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class IV	-	-	-
Total Value & Projected Revenue \$ -			
Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies		6.00%	-
Less Allowance for Tax Discounts		1.00%	-
Allowance for Tax Increment Financing			-

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Class I			
Personal Property	\$ 0.00	-	\$ -
Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class I	-	-	-
Class II			
Real Estate	0.00	-	-
Personal Property	-	-	-
Total Class II	-	-	-
Class III			
Real Estate	0.00	-	-
Personal Property	-	-	-
Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class III	-	-	-
Class IV			
Real Estate	0.00	-	-
Personal Property	-	-	-
Public Utilities	-	-	-
Total Class IV	-	-	-
Total Value & Projected Revenue \$ -			
Less Allowance for Uncollectibles, Exonerations and Delinquencies		6.00%	-
Less Allowance for Tax Discounts		1.00%	-
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For information, call Jamie Jacobsen, 485-7374, ext. 152, or go to www.cdc.gov/tobacco/campaign/tips/

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Tariff Form No. 8
(RULE 23)

PUBLIC NOTICE CHANGE IN RATES WITH PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATES

NOTICE is hereby given that Mountaineer Gas Company, a public utility, has filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia a tariff containing a requested increase in rates and charges for furnishing natural gas service to approximately 218,000 customers in Barbour, Berkeley, Boone, Braxton, Brooke, Cabell, Calhoun, Clay, Doddridge, Fayette, Gilmer, Grant, Greenbrier, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Kanawha, Lewis, Lincoln, Logan, Marion, Marshall, Mason, McDowell, Mercer, Mineral, Mingo, Monongalia, Monroe, Morgan, Nicholas, Ohio, Pendleton, Preston, Putnam, Raleigh, Randolph, Ritchie, Roane, Summers, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wayne, Wetzel, Wirt, Wood, and Wyoming Counties in West Virginia.

The proposed increased rates and charges will become effective Friday April 5, 2023, unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission, and will produce, on a total Company basis, \$19,740,000 annually in additional revenues, or an overall average increase in revenues of approximately 6.08%. The \$19,740,000 consists of an increase in base rates of \$37,649,000 and a decrease in the Company's Investment Replacement and Expansion Program ("IREP") of \$17,909,000. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

	(\$) INCREASE	(%) INCREASE
Residential	\$ 7.08	% 7.85
Commercial	\$ 10.26	% 2.68
Large Commercial	\$ 747.47	% 0.70
Industrial	\$ 293.54	% 0.40
Resale	\$ 100.00	% 1.70
Other	\$ -	% -

This increase incorporates the rate impact of the cumulative Investment under the IREP that was placed into service as of December 31, 2022. As a result, the Company proposes to reduce the IREP component of its rates relating to that investment when the new base rates go into effect.

Resale customers of Mountaineer Gas Company include Canaan Valley Gas Company, Consumers Gas Utility Company, Cardinal Natural Gas Company, Hope Gas, Inc., Megan Oil and Gas, City of Philippi and Southern Public Service Company. The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any increase in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. (If a hearing is scheduled, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.)

Anyone desiring to intervene and act as a part in the case should file on or before June 5, 2023 a Petition to Intervene complying with the Commission rules on intervention in the Rules of Practice and Procedure, 150 C.S.R.1, unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Anyone desiring to protest should file a written protest as soon as possible, although protests will be accepted by the Commission through the pendency of this proceeding. All written protest should briefly state the reason for the protest. All protest and Petitions to Intervene should clearly state the case name and number and the addressed to Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, P.O. Box 812, Charleston West Virginia 25323.

A complete copy of the Company's tariff proposals and a representative of the Company to provide information concerning this tariff are available to all customers, prospective customers or their agents at the following office of the Company:

501 56th Street SE, Charleston, WV 25304

A copy of this tariff is also available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the Public Service Commission at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia 25301.

Funding for Wildlife & Habitat Conservation in W.Va.

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito (R-W. Va.), Ranking Member of the Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee, as well as a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, today announced \$564,939 from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) through the State Wildlife Grant (SWG) Program to support conservation and stewardship for wildlife and their habitats in West Virginia.

“An integral part of our state is centered on our natural landscape and native wildlife. That’s why it’s important that steps are taken to protect those aspects of the Mountain State, and this funding helps in accomplishing that goal. As Ranking Member of the EPW Committee, I will continue to advocate for support like this that keeps West Virginia ‘wild and wonderful’ for generations to come,” Ranking Member Capito said.

BACKGROUND:

SWG Program funds must be used to address conservation needs described within State Wildlife Action Plans.

The program provides matching grants for the development and implementation of state programs and supports priority-setting for species and habitats.

These priorities benefit wildlife, especially at-risk or imperiled species, often referred to as species of greatest conservation need.

This collaborative approach to conservation facilitates partnerships among universities, industry, nonprofit conservation organizations and private landowners.

Capito: \$4.8 Million Energy Assistance for W.Va Families

Capito Announces \$4.8 Million in Energy Assistance for West Virginia Families

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), Ranking Member of the Senate Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Subcommittee, announced \$4,824,257 from Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) for the state of West Virginia.

LIHEAP is funded through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and provides critical financial assistance to low-income Americans with energy costs that represent a disproportionate share of their household budgets. The funding announced today was included in Fiscal Year 2023 appropriations funding.

“This funding through LIHEAP will provide relief to hardworking West Virginians while energy costs remain at record highs. I have been a consistent supporter of LIHEAP, and worked to make sure our state receives the support we are due. I look forward to seeing this investment help our families in the Mountain State,” Ranking Member Capito said.

LIHEAP helps low-income households pay home heating and cooling bills, prevent energy shutoffs, restore services, complete energy-related home repairs, and weatherize homes to make them more energy efficient. Senator Capito secured a total of \$52,233,164 in LIHEAP funding for West Virginia in Fiscal Year 2023.

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Mix It Up Bingo

The students, staff, and volunteer board of the Grantsville Conservatory of Music and Fine Arts present Mix it Up Bingo on March 25, 2023 at the Arnoldsburg Community Building. Doors will open at 5:00pm with concessions and raffle.

Bingo begins at 6pm with the amazing Jason Nettles. 20 Games = 1 Card for \$20

The community is invited to join the fun and win big with each basket valued at a \$50 minimum with multiple cash prizes.

Tickets are available for purchase prior to March 25th at Alice's Attic, 350 Main Street Grantsville. All pre-purchased tickets will be entered into a special drawing.

Proceeds will benefit students by allowing them to pursue their musical passion with expert instruction and showcase their talents for years to come. The Conservatory provides access to enrichment and a life-long appreciation of music by mastering a variety of instruments, vocal training, and music theory.

Come out and enjoy the evening supporting our local youth pursuing their love of music.

LETTER BOX

A Strange Experience

Have you ever had a strange experience, and afterward said to yourself, "Boy that was weird!"

Some of you may remember Larry Reed who worked many years as a car salesman for the Calhoun Super Service in Grantsville. He was a likeable fellow, and I bought five or six vehicles from in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

When Calhoun General Hospital lost their two surgeons, there was no need for me as a Nurse Anesthetist. So I found a job at Raleigh General Hospital in Beckley. We had been living near Beckley for several years when one day as I was driving on Eisenhower Drive, I saw a man standing on the right side of the road waiting for a break in traffic so he could cross. As I neared him, I thought, "He looks just like Larry Reed!" Driving on past in about 50 yards or so I saw a building with a large sign on the right that said, "Larry Reed Insurance."

Now I'm pretty sure that Larry had gone home to his reward some years before this. So it couldn't have been the Larry Reed I knew. But then to see a sign with his name on it after seeing his double seemed strange indeed!

Mark Higgs
Homasassa, FL

To the good neighbors of Grantsville and Calhoun County:

We need volunteers to help put a roof on a home located beside where the old Rainbow hotel once stood.

A metal roof is going to be put on, so we are in need of volunteers with roofing experience to place the roof.

If you would like to help a neighbor and fellow Calhoun resident, who himself helps others, then please give us a call.

For those helping with the roof we are offering lunch in the form of a cookout.

Please contact the following community members if you are interested in helping: Sandra nad Bob Siers 304-354-7725 or Loretta Siers 304-354-6220.

Thank you ,
Sandra and Bob Siers
and
Loretta Siers
Grantsville, WV

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15 cents per hour. Before long he had enough ink in his system that over the rest of his long career no other work was ever satisfying. By the time he was 18, he took his first job as a journeyman printer, still in Winfield.

Eventually, two of the three papers combined, Olin managing one, The Putnam Leader. During the depression years The Leader folded, and Olin sought out jobs on various newspapers throughout West Virginia. He worked in Keyser, Mannington, St. Albans, Oak Hill, Point Pleasant, and at one time leased The Webster Echo at Webster Springs. Once, in 1924, he came to Grantsville, to work on The Grantsville News, when it was owned by the Woodyard family. But he stayed only one night, never thinking that 21 years later he would return to buy The Chronicle.

In 1941 Olin was in Bluefield, working for a commercial printing firm. There, he met Mary Ann Meyer. They were married January 1, 1942. Later that year, Olin was drafted and served in the Army Medical Corps for nine months. Finally, the Army discharged him to return to essential industry, and he went back to his printing career.

The Barrows went to North Carolina, Oklahoma, New Mexico, finally settling in Odessa, Texas, where they both worked on an afternoon daily, The Odessa American.

But those West Virginia roots called the Barrows home in 1945, and to the purchase of The Calhoun Chronicle in April of that year. It was an eventful year in another way too, with the birth of a son, David.

Always putting The Chronicle and Calhoun County first has perhaps been the rule for publishing the newspaper. No matter what happened, it always had to wait until the paper was out. Both Olin and Mary Ann are high in praise for the people of Calhoun County who have given them both loyalty and friendship throughout the years. Many times they hear from readers, "I just can't get along without The Chronicle!" -- Always music to the publisher's ears.

Creston News

by Alvin Engelke
Phone 275-3578



Rev. Kevin Gillespie filled his regular appointment at the Burning Springs M. E. Church.

The Creston Community Building had a baked steak dinner Saturday March 18.

The Creston Area Neighborhood Watch will have a litter pickup on Saturday March 25. Be at the community building at 9 A. M. Afterwards nourishment will be provided for the workers.

Bill Duskey, age 63, died suddenly after apparently beating bladder cancer. The son of Boyd & Freda Duskey, he was laid to rest in the Wright cemetery. When Boyd worked for B & W, the family lived up in Ohio and many from there including several Amish folks attended the services. A meal was served at the Creston Community Building afterwards.

Heather Bonnett, the helpful postmaster at the Big Bend (Brooksville) post office, is retiring on March 24. The Creston mail all goes through the Brooksville office.

Brooksville vet Dr. Joe Cain, aged about 94, passed away while feeding his cattle. Passing away while having one's boots on, if one has a choice, has to be the way to go.

Creston area temperature on the verge of spring fell into the teens. Seems that Al Gore Jr's hot air machine broke down. The USDA's multiflora rose and other Asian invasive species are

out in leaf. The roses and autumn olive are stellar examples of government programs to "help people". The USDA bureaucrats should be made to spend 12 hours/day, six days/week grubbing and disposing of the pests and they should not be allowed to wear gloves.

At the recent oil & gas meeting in Columbus Ohio a fellow from 'Responsible Energy Solutions' talked about the new ethane leak rules and testing requirements from the ruling junta. Unlike third world countries where methane is vented or flared while the peasants use dung for cooking fuel, most oil & gas companies sell the methane, being part of the natural gas stream even if is only \$2.34/MMBTU. When asked why all the concern about tiny leaks when the US government blew up a Russian pipeline that caused the greatest amount ever of natural gas to go into the Baltic Sea and the atmosphere the poor fellow seemed to be flummoxed. Apparently prior audiences that he had lectured to had not followed the news.

The Creston Easter party will be held Sunday, April 2 at 2 P. M. at the community building. There will be a covered dish meal.

The failure of SVB (Silicon Valley Bank) has had ripples locally as questions have even been directed to local community banks that actually know their customers. Some

of the nation's richest had deposits there in the \$millions including Gov. "Pretty Boy" Newsome. Also to be bailed out are several entities from China that are linked to the government that wants to take us over. Mrs. Yellin said the foreign folks would be paid (by us). Of course now it is clear that a certain family received large sums of money from leaders in that nation.

Cap'n Drip, son Patrick, & Cap'n Spock were attending to business at the parts department of the Burning Springs Space Dock. It seems that the Klingons had harvested warp drive components from Cap'n Drip's starship. It was understood that that incident had been reported to starship command.

The Gas Authority of India Limited is looking for large vessels for a 20 year contract to take ethane to India to fuel their petrochemical businesses. Some gas from Creston is 18% ethane and presently there is a several \$billion investment in West Virginia in fractionation facilities to separate ethane, propane, the butanes, etc. from the natural gas stream. Except for Royal Dutch Shell's ethane cracker in Monaca Pennsylvania, all the ethane is shipped away to distant states & nations where wealth is generated. The Shale Crescent folks have laid out for all who want to know how 100,000 high pay chemical jobs could be generated between Pittsburgh &

WAG Trap-Neuter-Return Mar. 26 Orma & Chloe

By: Linda Buchanan

WAG is committed to notifying area residents for two weeks prior to a Trap-Neuter-Return of community cats activity so they can contain their personal pets. On Sunday, March 26, 2023, the Welfare of Animals Group (WAG) will be humanely trapping stray and feral cats in the Orma and Chloe areas to have them spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and ear tipped (the universal sign that a cat has been part of a Trap-Neuter-Return program).

We would appreciate it if you would not put food out for them on Saturday, March 25 as we will be trapping on Sunday morning.

Once the cats have recovered from anesthesia (at least 24 to 48 hours) we will return them to their exact location. They will be healthier, happier, and not reproducing and fighting.

Thank you for your cooperation. So far we have spayed and neutered 746 community cats (413 females and 333 males).

If you are aware of a feral cat colony in your area, please let us know. Female kittens can begin breeding at four months old, so the best time to spay/neuter a colony is when there are only 5 or 6 cats. Trap-Neuter-Return is provided to county residents at no cost to the caretaker.

Partial funding for Trap-Neuter-Return is provided by The Oakland Foundation, The Bernard McDonough Foundation, the West Virginia Department of Agriculture, and the Calhoun County Commission.

Please keep your personal cats indoors or put a collar on them on Sunday the 26th. If you have any questions, please call Linda at 304-354-7506.

\$26 Million to Fight Drug Trafficking in W.Va.

Capito Announces Over \$26 Million to Support Efforts to Disrupt Drug Trafficking in West Virginia

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), Ranking Member of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, today announced a total of \$26,484,023 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 funds for High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Programs in West Virginia through the Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP). The HIDTA program supports Federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies operating in areas determined to be critical drug-trafficking regions of the United States.

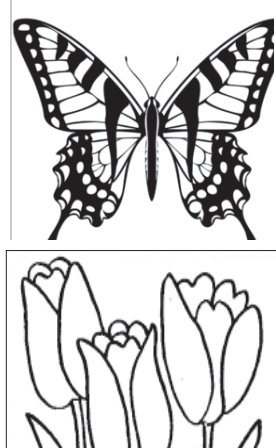
"HIDTA funding provides local, state, and community leaders in designated counties with the tools and resources necessary to fight the drug crisis in West Virginia. As a leader on the Senate Appropriations Committee, I've worked hard to secure these funds, and I will continue working with Director Gupta, others in the administration, and those on the frontlines at home to finally put an end to this epidemic that has hurt so many across our state," Ranking Member Capito said.

Each year, HIDTAs assess the drug threats in their communities and develop strategies to address those threats and advance public health and public safety. In 2022, HIDTAs across the nation successfully disrupted and dismantled more than 3,000 drug trafficking and money laundering organizations and seized illicit drugs with a wholesale value of more than \$22 billion, including more than 13,000 kilograms and more than 44 million dosage units of fentanyl.

Individual funding allocations listed below:

- \$16,487,073 – Washington/Baltimore HIDTA
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Big Bend Cemetery Fund Report for 2022

Big Bend Cemetery Fund Report for 2022

Donations received for the Big Bend Cemetery for 2022 were as follows: Deloris and Virgil Rogers Estate, \$500; Jim and Sue Arthur, \$300; Jim and Judy Prusack, \$250; Beverly Smith, \$200; Mark and Emma Walker, \$200; Mark and Janet Householder, \$150; Unknown, \$150; Charles Swisher, \$100; Bob and Georgie Stalnaker, \$100; Unknown, \$100; Roger Basnett, \$100; Millie Holbert Family, \$60; Drusilla Exline, \$50; Hugh and Beth Alltop, \$50; Jim and Marie Blair, \$50; Donna Newell, \$50; Vernon and Cathy Walker, \$50; Dottie Rader, \$50; Louis Rader, \$50; Lorena McKown and Gene Rader, \$40; Evert and Edith Ferrell Family, \$25; Money in the box, \$32

THANK YOU for the donations, cards and letters. Please forgive us if we failed to remember anyone.

Ron and Betty Walker, 304-354-7827

Town Website

The Town of Grantsville has a website for things going on in the town and county, so go visit the site at: townofgrantsvillemunicipality.squarespace.com.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia until March 28, 2023 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

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DBE GOAL: 10% OF CONTRACT BID AMOUNT. BIDDER MUST PROVIDE WRITTEN ASSURANCE OF MEETING GOAL ON FORM IN PROPOSAL.

REMARKS:

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The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. All bidders holding valid bidding proposals will be notified of such deferment, delay or postponement and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award.

Calhoun County Committee On Aging News

Submitted by Rick Poling

The Calhoun County Committee on Aging had a particularly eventful week last week, with the opening of a new craft room and a St. Patrick's Day Celebration. With the Federal Government's expected end of the U.S. Covid-19 Health Emergency on May 11th, many increased activities are planned and expected in the coming months, and last week's events provided a small forecast of that.

The new craft room will allow 18 to 24 people to work together on crafts of their choosing. Seana Evans from "Miller's Steals and Deals" generously donated a Cricut cutting machine for the room, which, coupled with a computer, produces professional creations and designs for shirts, cups, mugs, jewelry, etc. Adjoining the craft room

will be a quilting room and a reading nook. Several bins of craft supplies and materials are within arm's reach on shelves lining one side of the room.

Also, a new media room is opening on the main floor near the dining hall, featuring two public computers for internet browsing along with shelves for books and DVDs. Books will periodically be rotated and refreshed, courtesy of the Calhoun Library, and seniors can borrow books and share and exchange DVDs and CDs as they wish.

Although the fitness and activities room is already well-supplied with three Bowflex stations, a pool table, and an array of stationary bikes, climbing machines, ellipticals, and treadmills, plans are underway to pursue and utilize grants to update equipment at the West Fork site as well as in the Grantsville center.

The expected lifting of the U.S. Covid-19 Health Emergency on May 11th will also bring the resumption of many pre-Covid activities, such as community evening Bingo (3rd Thursday of each month), day-trips to West Virginia and eastern Ohio attractions, shopping trips, games, crafting, movie days, birthday-dinners, holiday celebrations and sponsored trips, as well as a reopening of CCCOA's Minnora site. And, keep watching for features to be included in CCCOA's huge 50th Anniversary Celebration planned for June 19th, including live music, crafting, bingo, games, and an array of food and refreshments.

The St. Patrick's Day Celebration featured games, a best-Irish-dressed contest, bingo, lunch, and a concert by the Johnny Staats Project. It was a great way to end the week!

Minnie Hamilton Health System LTC News

Minnie Hamilton Health System Long Term Care Residents would like to thank Brooksville Baptist Church for providing them with new Hymnals. Pictured below left to right: Sharman Matthew, Irene Conrad, and Eugene Marks.



APRIL IS NATIONAL LIFE MONTH

Register as an organ, tissue and cornea donor at core.org/register.

Each day, 17 people in the United States die while waiting for an organ transplant. Thousands more await a life-enhancing tissue transplant. Still, many people are not registered to become organ and tissue donors.

Minnie Hamilton Health System is joining forces with CORE to increase the number of registered donors.

Ensuring that we have effective donation practices and hospital-wide education in place is an important first step toward an effective and robust donation system. By encouraging hospital staff, their friends and families to register to become organ, tissue, and cornea donors, Minnie Hamilton Health System aims to inspire hope, advocacy and passion among those waiting for a transplant.

"As a health system, we are uniquely positioned to not only tend to the health of our patients, but to inspire

our community to be mindful of wellness in all aspects of life," said Stephen Whited, CEO. "The more people we can inspire to become organ donors, the better we can serve our mission to be leading advocates for the well-being of our entire community."

Minnie Hamilton Health System will be joining thousands of hospitals around the country in flying a Donate Life flag during the month of April. The flag is a visible and unifying statement about the importance of donation and celebrates the hundreds of thousands of donors and recipients whose lives have been affected by organ, tissue and cornea donation.

Minnie Hamilton Health System encourages its staff to learn the facts and talk with their family members and friends about becoming advocates for organ donation.

The facts are compelling.

More than 100,000 people nationally are awaiting an organ transplant.

Every 10 minutes, another person who needs a transplant is added to the national waitlist.

One organ donor can save up to eight lives while a tissue donor can improve the lives of 75 others.

Donation is a possibility only after all efforts to save the patient's life have been exhausted, tests have been performed to confirm the absence of vital signs, and brain death has been declared.

To register to become an organ donor or for more information on ways to generate hope, advocacy and passion for others during National Donate Life Month this April, visit CORE's website at www.core.org



A fun filled day at the Calhoun County Committee on Aging where, it appears, no one was pinched on St. Patrick's Day for not wearing green.



Many games were played on St. Patty's Day but, since a list of winners was not sent it can only be assumed that all who attended were winners.



The senior center also gave tours of their craft room, showing off all of the supplies on hand at the senior center to help folks get "crafty."