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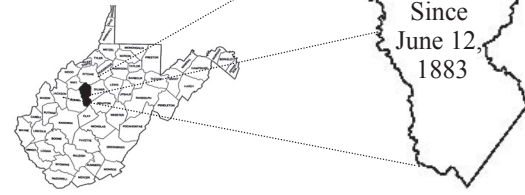
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FRN Hides Easter Eggs Around Town

Submitted by Melissa West

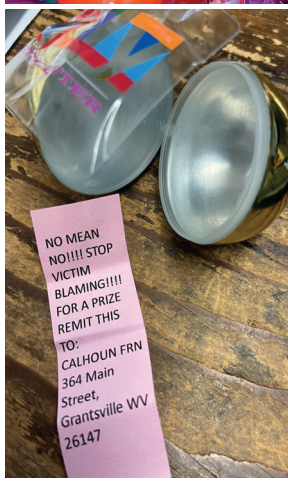
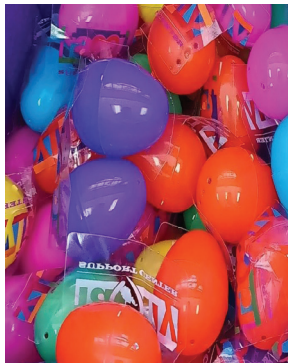
Easter came early to the Town of Grantsville. Brightly colored Easter eggs were placed throughout town on Wednesday, March 29th.

Each egg has a note inside (see picture below).

If you find one of the eggs please return to the Calhoun FRN for a prize. Happy Egg Hunting!



Garnett Husk hiding Easter Eggs around town.



April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. It recognizes the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and neglect. So be on the lookout for the blue pinwheels throughout the community.

Calhoun Schools Budgets under State Funding

In Calhoun County, schools face tight budgets under state funding formula

By Ellie Heffernan, Mountain State Spotlight

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Mount Zion – Before getting into Hamlet or The Crucible, Calhoun County English teacher MG Gainer asks her students to list all the plays they’ve ever seen. Most say they’ve never seen a real play with lights and a crew.

Unlike when she attended high school there, there isn’t money to go on field trips to see a play or explore a museum.

“To be confronted with classrooms of juniors and seniors who said, ‘I’ve never seen a play. I’ve never been to a museum,’” she said. “That’s pretty staggering.”

Like many places in West Virginia, Calhoun County is struggling to provide students with extracurriculars – and pay for greatly needed building maintenance.

During this year’s legislative session, lawmakers did increase support for public schools through a law that will, among other things, hire nearly 2,500 teachers’ aides.

But Calhoun residents also want lawmakers to change the school funding formula in a way that would help some of West Virginia’s least populated counties. A Senate bill that would’ve done so stalled in the Finance committee.

So for now, Calhoun schools will keep relying on the generosity of individual teachers and community members to patch up budget holes. Because when recently given a chance to approve additional funding for local schools, many Calhoun County residents voted no.

‘I have nothing to replace that with.’

Last November, voters rejected an excess levy that would’ve brought nearly \$700,000 in each of the next four years to Calhoun County schools

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Enjoy Spring Break Calhoun County Students!!!

Thursday, April 6:
Easter Dinner at the CCCOA

Friday, April 7:



Strait Creek Baptist Church food giveaway will be held at the Brohard Community Building on Friday, April 7, from 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Minnie Hamilton Color Run/Walk, 4 p.m. at the Calhoun Middle High School

Saturday, April 8

Make It Shine REAP Event around the county.

Sing, Starling Holbert, Lions Club, Grantsville, 6 p.m.

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

Sunday, April 9



Tuesday, April 11:

Save The Children Parent-Child Group meets at Calhoun FRN 11 a.m. -12 p.m.

Civil Air Patrol meeting 6 p.m. 413 High Street Grantsville.

Wednesday, April 12:

Save The Children Parent-Child Group meets at Upper West Fork Park 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Thursday, April 13:

Save The Children Parent-Child Group meets at Pleasant Hill Elementary 4:40 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Historical Society Meeting at 6 p.m.

Friday, April 14:

Spring Fling Event Craft Show 10 a.m to 5 p.m. Smoked Turkey Lunch 11 a.m.

Saturday, April 15:

Spring Fling Events starting at 10 a.m.

Military Appreciation Ball 5 p.m. located at Glenville State University

Sunday, April 16:

CALHOUN COUNTY PERFORMING ARTS SHOWCASE

April 21, at 6pm,
April 22, at 3pm,
In the CMHS Auditorium
2023

Submitted by Elijah Dickey

The Calhoun County Middle High School presents the 2023 Spring Showcase. This showcase offers many different performing acts with a variety of talents such as Jazz Band, High School Dance, Middle School and High School Band, Beginner Band, Theatre, Choir, and Percussion Ensemble.

The Calhoun Middle High School Performing Arts has been entertaining audiences for years with memorable performances and the 2023 Spring Showcase is no exception! This Showcase may be the last time Seniors will get to perform on stage, don’t miss your chance to come out and support their final production.

The 2023 Spring Showcase opens Friday, April 21st, at 6pm, and closes Saturday, April 22nd, at 3pm in the Calhoun Middle High School Auditorium. Entrance is free, and donations will be accepted.

Big Things Are Happening at The Community Center

Submitted By Melissa West

I took time out of my day to venture over to the Calhoun Community Center, if you haven’t, I highly recommend it, you will not be disappointed in the progress that is going on. Standing on the steps of the Old High School took me back to my school days.

I have such fond memories of this old building, I do not really have any bad ones to recall. I am sure most of the past students feel the same way. Just looking at the building, knowing what it was like back in the day; makes you realize the greatness that is coming to our community and what that means for the children who live here.

I can still picture Mr. Underwood showing our class his karate moves, but most of all his teaching. He is the reason I took so many history classes in college. I have fond memories of Mr. Knight’s and Mr. Harris’ classes as well. These are just a few teachers who influenced my life.

After graduation, we often lose touch with friends over the years, although we still have those few friends that we are still connected too.

Over the years we have lost classmates and teachers that made attending school at this old building memorable and I would not change a thing from that experience. I also love using the building as a backdrop for pictures, what about you?



Look at the difference a day makes? This is great progress for the Community Center Pool building.



OBITUARIES

PHYLLIS LOUISE STARCHER FETTY

Beloved daughter, sister, wife, mother, and aunt Phyllis Louise Starcher Fetty died Wednesday, March 22 after many years of Alzheimer's disease followed by a stroke. She was laid to rest March 25 in Sweet Springs, WV.



She is survived by her husband of 66 years Patrick Allen Fetty.

Her four children are Amber Renee Fetty Harrison of Sweet Springs; Kimberly Ann Fetty of Charleston; Michael Allen Fetty of White Sulphur Springs; and Beverly Dare Fetty of Lewisburg. Grandchildren are Wesley Fetty Haynes (Dawn Riley) of Morgantown and Meredith Jill Fetty Haynes of Charleston. The youngest of her family is great grandson William Rhett Haynes of Charleston.

She is preceded in death by her mother and father Geraldine Marie Bland Starcher and Alton Starcher of Parkersburg and two sisters Carolyn Justine Starcher of San Pedro, CA and Janet Ramona Starcher Holliday of Newark, OH. Surviving sisters are Roberta Rae Starcher McCoy of Big Springs, and Beverly Ann Starcher Prince of Parkersburg. Nieces and nephews include John, Mary, Tyler (wife Lynn) and Charlie (wife Tracey) Holliday; James McCoy (deceased) and Michelle McCoy Hatfield; Ann-Marie Prince Sweeten (husband Mike). Several great nieces and nephews also survive her.

Phyllis was born in Nobe and graduated Calhoun County High School in 1952. She became an accomplished weaver and made rugs for the W.Va. Governor's Mansion and the private home of former President Jimmy Carter and wife Rosalyn. Former Greenbrier Hotel decorator Carlton Varney used her rugs in his clients' homes and yachts.

Her rugs are treasured possessions of family members and many who visited the Mountain State Art and Craft Fair in Ripley, and Tamarack near Beckley.

More than anything, Phyllis was a kind, generous friend to most who knew her as well as an unassuming woman who never got "above her raisin'."

Phyllis' family would like to thank those who provided medical care for her in the recent past. They

include James Griffith, M.D. of WVU Department of Behavioral Medicine in Charleston; Charleston Area Medical Center, General Division, Surgical & Trauma ICU; Peyton Hospice House in Lewisburg.

The family suggests donations to the Alzheimer's Association in memory of Phyllis. Those wishing to send the family online condolences or would like to sign the online guestbook, please do so by visiting www.groves-mann.com

FRANKIE GERALDINE MOWREY

Frankie Geraldine Mowrey, 92, of Creston, went died March 31, 2023, at Genesis Miletree Center, Spencer.

She was a daughter of the late Frank and Roxie Blosser Connolly.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband, Philip Mowrey, sons Glen and Kenny, niece Marge Fowler, and great-grandchild Shannon.

She is survived by sons Steve, Tom (Trish), James (Regina), Danny (Ola), Ron (Norma), Richard (Scarlet), and Ray (Sheila) Boggs; grandchildren Matthew (Amanda), Jeremy (Mandy), Rodney, Christy (Souhel), Melody (Dave), Jen (Meaghan), Daniel, Sabrina (Warren), Phillip (Lindsey), Mandy (Tommy), Angie (Kevin), Kim, Brandi, Ashley (Austin), Barb, Justin (Colleen), Mark, and Tiffany; great-grandchildren Kelan, Stella, Carissa, Summer, Ryder, Chase, Levi, Iris, Aidan, Colin, Brody, Mackenzie, Taylor, Meadow, Cane, Nicholas, Levi, Noah, Alex, Madison, Mason, Lauren, and Logan (Taylor); great-great-grandchild Cooper; daughters-in-law Pat and Wilma; and nieces Eula Murphy and Barbara Harris.

A funeral service will be held at Stump Funeral Home & Cremation, Inc., Grantsville, on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, at 1 p.m., with Rev. Delmas Stutler officiating. Visitation will be held from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Interment will be in Wright Cemetery. Online condolences may be expressed at www.stumpfuneralhomes.com

BRENDA LENORE JUNKINS

Brenda Lenore Junkins, 65, of Macfarlan, WV, died Tuesday, March 28, 2023, at Ruby Memorial Hospital after a courageous battle with cancer.



She was born in Elizabeth, a daughter of the late Gail Clifford and Eleanor (Buzzard) Clark.

Brenda graduated from Harrisville High School. She enjoyed watching birds and playing video games. But most of all she loved spending time with her family.

She is survived by her loving husband of almost 47 years, Ronald Forrest Junkins; son, Peter Junkins of Sterling, VA; daughter, April Richards (Chris) of Munday; grandchildren, Colby Lamb, Bret Richards, and Hayden Richards; sister, Linda Jones of Schultz, WV; special niece and caregiver, Kelly Minor, and many more loving nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her sister, Becky McDonald.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, April 1st, 2023, at Raiguel Funeral Home in Harrisville, WV.

Around Calhoun

by Bill Bailey

Our editor, Newton Nichols, is still making his home in Parkersburg with his daughters while he is undergoing dialysis and other treatments at WVU Medicine at Camden Clark hospital.

There is still no date scheduled for his return to the office but, judging from all of the inquiries about him that we hear daily, we here at the Chronicle office are not the only folks that miss him and await his return to the desk he has occupied for nigh onto 35 years.

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I had to look at the calendar over the weekend just to assure myself that we were experiencing a different weekend with exactly the same weather pattern as what we suffered through the week before. Talk about déjà vu!

That is really spooky, and more than a little scary. I have always known that our weather patterns here in the east are simply weather that comes into the country from elsewhere but this year is the first time that I have ever witnessed "rain trains" coming onto the west coast and then barreling across the country one after another leaving death and destruction in their wake.

This is the second weekend in a row that severe weather has wreaked havoc across America's midsection.

While we got a lot of rain and high winds both times here in West Virginia, down in the holler we got some much-needed rain and only saw the wind blow as hard as 31 mph a couple of times.

I think that the last time I heard a number for the storms slamming the West Coast so far this year that number was 13.

I know that climate change is real and fairly soon even the deniers will have to acknowledge that we must do something before we lose it all.

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Morels are doing quite well this year; the kids are finding them handily although I am still too lazy to climb the hill to look for them.

May apples are beginning to arise and our trilliums have sprouted flower heads. Our ginger plants are still thinking about whether or not they want to show up in time to suffer from frostbite.

There was a pretty frosty morning on Monday, with me driving up the holler looking out through a frosty windshield at a frosty landscape.

I have seen frost down in the holler as late as mid-May when the black walnut trees have already put forth their leaves. The walnut trees are just about the last tree around our house to put forth leaves, and they suffer badly whenever their leaves or flowers get frosted.

One year when that happened there were no walnuts dropping from any of the trees around our house and the trees just looked miserable and a little bare all summer long.

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Our dog, Brownie, has now decided that groundhogs are not permitted in her domain (our yard) and are to be dealt with quite harshly. She left me one in her favorite spot on our "short porch" to prove to us that she is doing her job and that feeding and petting her are worthwhile endeavors.

Basically, she doesn't chase deer; she just stares at them until they move along. She will, however, chase away all squirrels, chipmunks etc. Opossums and raccoons seem to have learned to go around "Brownie Town" or pay the ultimate price for their indiscretion. Brownie really takes her job seriously, enough so that I no longer have to move our bird feeders or suet cake cages at night to protect them from our holler denizens.

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And I do believe that all of the citizens of this great country need to have a "day of outrage" instead of a "moment of silence" in response to the senseless mass murder of our only hope for the future, the children of America. While we cannot put the Genie back into the bottle we must pass laws that have the ability to keep guns out of the hands of the unstable. So called "Red Flag" laws do not interfere with the second amendment while removing weapons from the hands of those who may not be mentally stable enough to resist shooting up a school or a church or etc.

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I saw where the governor of Florida signed into law, behind closed doors with only gun lobbyists present in his office, a concealed carry law for that state that requires no permit for the privilege, or safety classes to perhaps help save the lives of innocents.

I cannot imagine anything that could be more irresponsible than that in today's supercharged world.

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

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This Week In History

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

1923

Dr. Clem S. Morris, of Smithville, came over to Wm. Snyder's at Freed on last Wednesday and did some dental work for Mrs. Snyder and Miss Violet Elliott.

W. O. Haverstow, of Hartley, has purchased a radio.

Silas Peppers, who has been very ill with pneumonia fever, is better at this time.

Clay Metz received a badly broken leg last Wednesday, while working for John Holpp, by a limb from a falling tree striking his leg, breaking it between the knee and ankle. He was taken to the hospital Thursday of this week.

Mrs. Frank Siece died at her home near Hartley, March 27, from pneumonia fever. Besides her husband she leaves seven small children and her father and mother who are Mr. and Mrs. Brick Elliott of near Clarksburg, also two sisters survive.

Mr. Victory, an oil man, was thrown by his horse and had his shoulder dislocated last Wednesday, near the hotel Hartley.

Willis Jones received a badly mashed ankle by a log rolling on it while at work on Bell run, Wednesday.

Plowing and planting potatoes is the order of the day.

Rheuben Richards, of Big Springs, and gang is building the rig for the Freed Oil and Gas Co.

Cods Morrison has already taken a few rides in his new "tin lizzie." He is planning to go to Hartley in a few days if it doesn't rain and make the roads all muddy.

Frank Petty, Billie Collins, Tony Elliott and Clyde Snyder are working on the P. W. Collins No. 2.

The Aurora Borealis – Until electricity was discovered, the cause of the aurora borealis was unknown, and it was supposed to be of supernatural origin. Even today its exact composition is more or less a mystery, but it is generally supposed that it is by the decomposition of positive and negative electricity. It exists only in the regions of the poles, although its light is seen to a moderate degree over the greater part of the earth.

1948

TRUCK WRECKS NEAR MT. ZION TUESDAY – Clayton Schartiger, with five others featured in a wreck Tuesday evening on Mt. Zion ridge, while returning to their home near Arnoldsburg from Grantsville.

It is reported that a tire blew out causing the truck, which was owned and operated by Mr. Schartiger to overturn in the road.

The Stump ambulance was summoned to the scene of the accident and removed Lloyd Schartiger, the most seriously injured, to a Spencer hospital. The others, John Cottrell, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Cottrell, Emory Cottrell and Clayton Schartiger were removed to the Boling Clinic in Grantsville where they were treated for injuries. All were discharged except John Cottrell who received some broken vertebrae.

1973

FOLK SINGERS WILL BE FEATURED AT FESTIVAL – Young, vivacious, and talented describe a pretty mountain lady, Karen McKay. Miss McKay, who has her own album, "Mountain Paths," will be featured on the fretless banjo, plucked dulcimer, and guitar, at Calhoun County High School's Mountain Heritage Festival April 27.

Miss McKay and Ronda Wallace are mountain folk singers who will appear on the program at 10 a.m. This program and other events of the festival are open to the public.

McKay and Wallace have been performing for the past five years at festivals, conventions, coffee houses, 4-H activities, and the Pipestem resort. The young artists, who specialize in preserving mountain music, have also written several original songs. They feature folk instruments. They have formed their own non-profit organization known as Clover Enterprises which exists for the sole purpose of enabling West Virginia young people to introduce their own talents to the public, while encouraging interest in West Virginia heritage.

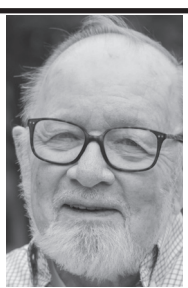
Karen McKay is a student at West Virginia University and is a resident of Ravenswood. Ronda Wallace is a student at Marshall and lives in Milton.

The Calhoun Mountain Heritage Festival is open to all residents in Calhoun County. The student committee urged adults to participate.

Other folk singers to appear on the program are Phoebe Parsons, Noah Cottrill, Jim Meads, Peter Welcker, Richard Hardway, Cathy Jones, Albert Kimmell and Ruth Fitz. A broad spectrum of arts and crafts will be revived for the day, such as pottery making, spinning, weaving, vegetable dyeing, candle dipping and pouring, quilting, soap making, corn husk dolls, and woodworking.

CURIOSITY CORNER

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



This week, I thought I would give a new list of interesting facts, meanings and sayings to satisfy your curiosity. I hope you enjoy!

I have just developed a severe ergophobia. (What?) Phobia, means "a fear of something." And ergo- comes from the Greek word, ergon, meaning "work." Thus, ergophobia means "a fear of work." Other people would just call it "lazy."

What's the difference between a nook and a cranny? A nook is a corner, and a cranny is a crack.

What is the origin of the word "hurricane?" It comes from the Native American name, "Hurakon," which means "a great spirit who commands the east winds." Sounds good. The biggies usually blow in from the east, but those Gulf ones, like the recent Hurricane Ian, get us from behind.

In medical jargon, what does "stat" mean? How well I remember this one when I worked as a medical technologist in the Army and when I was going to school. It means ASAP (as soon as possible), if not before! The term comes from the Latin statum, which means "immediately," or "instantly."

What is the largest single biological cell found in nature? As far as we know, the yolk of an ostrich egg, which is about three inches in diameter. The smallest, on the other hand, is the bacteria-like mycoplasma on the order of 0.000015 inches in diameter.

I found a place on the web that gives the origins of some phrases we use. Here are several:

Bumper crop: A "bumper" originally referred to a full glass or cup. This was later applied to crops.

Make no bones about it: To state or do something that allows no room for doubt. "Bones" is jargon for dice, and once thrown, it's up to fate or probability. No control!

The die has been cast: Once again in reference to dice. "Die," though, is the singular of "dice." Only one. After it's thrown, the choice is no longer controllable or debatable. The phrase is supposed to have been said by Julius Caesar when crossing the Rubicon, which was then the boundary between Gaul (France) and Italy. It was against Roman Senate law to do this, so the crossing was essentially a declaration of war. And there was a three-year civil war from which Caesar came out the winner and ruler of the Roman Empire. Big Julie's actions also gave rise to the phrase "crossed the Rubicon," which indicates one has made a decision and can't go back.

I "crossed Lake Greenwood" one time and couldn't go back. My boat motor went kaput.

C.P.S. (Curious Postscript): "The Bowlers' Prayer: Spare us Lord, and strike not our opponents." -Anonymous

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This Week In West Virginia History

The following events happened from April 5-12, in West Virginia history. To read about West Virginia's people, history, places, science, arts and culture, visit www.wvencyclopedia.org.

April 6, 1938: The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) established Camp Kanawha in the Kanawha State Forest. The CCC removed all the abandoned houses, coal tipples, and other structures no longer in use, and constructed roads, the forest superintendent's residence, office, maintenance building, and picnic shelters.

April 6, 1944: Guitarist David Morris was born in Ivydale, Clay County. With his brother John on fiddle, the Morris Brothers founded music festivals, supported union and environmental causes and promoted West Virginia traditional music nationwide.



April 7, 1927: A. James Manchin was born in Farmington. In 1984, the longtime secretary of state was elected state treasurer but soon fell into trouble. With a stock market downturn in 1987, Manchin bore much of the blame when the state lost nearly \$300 million in investments.



April 7, 1947: Medal of Honor recipient Thomas W. Bennett was born in Morgantown. Believing it was wrong to evade the draft while others had to serve in Vietnam, he volunteered as a noncombatant medic. He was killed by gunfire while dragging a wounded soldier to safety.

April 7, 2004: Gov. Bob Wise signed legislation that transformed four colleges into universities: West Virginia State, Shepherd, Fairmont State and Concord.

April 8, 1891: The town of Paw Paw was incorporated. Strategically located on the Potomac River, the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and the C & O Canal, Paw Paw was named for the banana like paw-paw fruit that grows in the area.

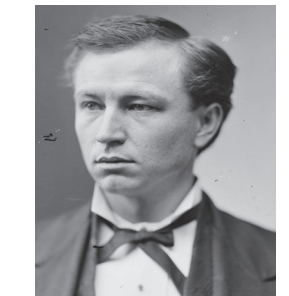
April 8, 1951: An Air National Guard transport plane crashed near Kanawha (now Yeager) Airport, killing 21.

April 9, 1900: Physician Margaret Byrnside "Dr. Maggie" Ballard was born. She actively pursued her interest in genealogy and local history and was a founder of the Monroe County Historical Society.

April 10, 1848:



John Kenna was born in Kanawha County. In 1883, the state legislature elected him to the U.S. Senate, unseating the powerful Henry G. Davis. Kenna is one of two West Virginians memorialized by a statue in the U.S. Capitol.



April 10, 1932: Entertainer Blaze Starr was born as Fanny Belle Fleming in Wayne County. The owner of a burlesque club rechristened her "Blaze Starr." Her story was the basis of the movie Blaze.



April 11, 1821: Congressman Jacob Beeson Blair was born in Parkersburg. Blair was the first West Virginian to be told by President Abraham Lincoln of Lincoln's support for making West Virginia a state.

April 11, 1909: Writer Hubert Skidmore was born at Laurel Mountain in Webster County. In his novels, Skidmore depicted stoic endurance by mountain people in the face of misfortune and economic exploitation by outside interests.

April 12, 1865: The 36th Virginia Infantry, known as the Logan Wildcats, disbanded.

The Confederate company was created at Logan Courthouse on June 3, 1861, and consisted of about 85 men. The company saw its first action in the Battle of Scary Creek in Putnam County.

April 12, 1885: Photographer George James Kossuth was born. After he opened his Wheeling studio in 1909, he achieved broad fame for his photos of the city and insightful portraits of world celebrities, including Richard Strauss, Jascha Heifetz, Leopold Stokowski, Clarence Darrow and Richard Nixon.

For More Information about W.Va. history please check out e-WV.

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My Home Among the Hills

by Melody Walburn



Oh, Spring Break, I have been waiting so long for you, and I am so glad you are finally here! It is Sunday night, and I am reveling in the fact that once I finish this article, I can read my book for as long as I want. My lesson plans are complete, and I graded all of my papers, except three assignments from my creative writing class. If I am diligent, I can finish these in about an hour.

The plan is to tackle them early in the week, so I can put my school bag in the closet and not get it out again until spring break is over.

Thankfully, this past week was not a busy one. We started the week with a three-hour delay, due to the high winds and bad weather we had over the weekend. This allowed me to get a little more sleep, which I greatly needed after being sick. I am definitely on the mend, but I still have a bit of a cough that is totally annoying and still wakes me up from time to time at night. After having missed half a day on Thursday and all day on Friday, I had some catching up to do on Monday.

By Wednesday I was basically back on track, so I was able to leave right after school to go get my hair cut.

After spending some time with Crystal, I headed home to change my clothes, eat a quick dinner, and head to my church. I had promised Maricia I would help her set up for the Seder dinner we will be having there this coming Wednesday. This tradition is something my family has taken part in since I was in high school. In the last decade, Maricia has hosted the event at her house. This year our church decided they would like to host the event, which we are quite excited about. I helped Maricia, Andy, and Erin set up the tables for the dinner while my parents worked on the place cards for each person. After we had finished, we headed upstairs for Bible Study.

I used every free moment I had on Thursday grading papers and finishing up my lesson plans because I knew I would not be in my classroom on Friday. This was Teen Interest Day, and I had agreed to be a presenter. This meant I would be assigned to a classroom on the first floor where I would lead ten sessions on creative writing activities. I arrived at school early on Friday morning so I could clean my classroom and boards before I headed down to morning duty. The rest of the day was spent leading sessions and monitoring the hallways in between times.

By the time I left school, the predicted heavy winds had begun, and it was pouring the rain. I stopped by to check on my parents and Rascal and then headed on home for a hot shower and some comfy clothes. I decided to do a little cleaning and laundry since I was afraid the electric might go off the next day. I accomplished most of what I wanted to before I ran out of steam and headed to bed. The wind and thunderstorms woke me up a couple of times in the night, so I was glad I could sleep in on Saturday.

I had had plans to work on the yard and take my recycling the next day, but the weather soon put a stop to all of those plans. I decided to stay put inside and celebrate being on vacation by reading in my recliner for most of the day. Maricia called late in the afternoon to see if I wanted to join them at Grinders to get a coffee and listen to some bluegrass music. That sounded like a great way to spend my evening, so I combed my hair, put on some makeup, and made myself look presentable to appear in public. I was really glad I did; the coffee was delicious and the music was excellent!

Sunday was spent going to church and spending time with the family. I am really looking forward to a whole week of just being Melody. I have projects I want to accomplish, I have books I want to read, and I have plans to spend time with family and friends. Stay tuned; I'll share my spring break with you next week.

Letters to Mary and Other Communications

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

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

(Continued from Last Week)

The rebellion in my opinion is soon to fall, and the war end. Everything is quiet on this part of the lines at present. There was heavy cannonading on the left towards Petersburg this forenoon.

I am getting along first rate in my new position and have no doubt but I will be able to give satisfaction.

Well I would like to see you the best kind, and spend a few moments in your company, but can only breathe a prayer for that time to come.

So good bye;
Ever your affectionate,
Michael

Parkersburg, W.Va.
Feb. the 23, 1865

Dear Brother (Michael)

Yours of the 13th. inst came to hand last evening and we were glad to hear from you once more. My selfe and Mama is well at this time, Father, was well Sunday morning. He left home Sunday, went up to our old home, in Gilmer, he will be back a bout the first of next week if he has good luck. Your letter by Capt King has not come to hand yet, nor the one by Lieut Collett. I seen Collett down in town and I inquired of him a bout you and he said you was getting a long all right. I also asked him if you sent eny letter by him, he said he did not believe you sent eny. He brought some letters but there was not many knew he was comming untill he was ready to start. I have seen him since that and he has never give me any letter. I intend to ask him a bout it a gain the next time I see him. There may be something wrong a bout it. I will let you know in due time.

I guess the report is current here now that you are promoted to Major. The news is here also that the rebels made a raid on Cumberland Tuesday morning and captured Gen. Crook and Gen. Kelly. What else was done I have not heard, there was a salute of 100 guns fired here yesterday morning in honor of Gen Sherman taken Charleston, S.C. The news apears to be good in the papers generally, and I hope this springs campaign may wind them up, there has not been any draft here yet. I expect they will vollunteer so as to make up the quota without a draft. They are giving big bounty for vollunteers, about 400 dolars.

Well now a bout them girls. I think Hostottle was some what mistaken there was no girls here only Sarah, Ellen, Kight, when he was here. I am glad you got your uniform all right. Well there is plenty of girls here, they have had some parties, but I have never been to eny of them yet. I intend to keep rather cool a mong them yet a while. There was a very pretty girl here Tuesday to see us. Her name was Miss Francis Duckworth from near West Union. Nelson Duckworth girl. She has been down here a bout a week staying at old Mrs. McPhersons. She says the folks was all well out there when she left.

I have sent you one Parkersburg paper and I will send another one soon. The weather is quiet warm and pleasant here now though awful muddy. We have 53 subscribers for our book, doing very well. I shall not write much more this time. Oh yes a bout them lots, we will see Mr. Dils, soon as Father gits back from up the way. If you git your journal published I will do all I can for you, selling it.

I hope these lines may find you enjoying good health. Mrs Mc Hendry send their best respects to you, as you say I will write often. Except our Love and Kindst regards.

I remain yours, good bye dear brother, write soon,
Adolphus B. Ayers

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My Dearest Mollie
(Mary Smith)

I have just received your very kind favor of the 14th. inst. and was very glad to hear from you again. Now allow me to answer the same, for its a most pleasant task indeed for me to do so.

I was happy to know you were getting along so pleasently, and hope this may find you in perfect health, which I am in possession of at present, and for which I feel very thankful.

Indeed my dear girl you can only imagine what a real pleasure it would be for me to meet you again and if it was only to part no more, what a real joy it would be. But circum-stances which surround me are such that its an impossibility, at present. But I hope that, that bright day is yet to come, when we will be free from the difficulties which now surround us; at least while life and health are spared me I can only look forward to that time with satisfaction and delight.

My path may be rough, and I may yet see hardships and encounter dangers, but under all circumstances I intend to do my duty, and trust to the kind protection of providence for my safe return.

(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.)

Wed, April 5: cheese salad, cream of broccoli, fruit, whole wheat bun.

Thur. April 6: Easter Dinner, ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, pineapple cake.

Fri. April 7: CLOSED
Mon, April 10: Fish, whole wheat bun, ranch potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit.

Tues, April 11: bake beans and weiners, cubed potatoes, mix greens, whole wheat cornbread, fruit.

Wed, April 12: meat loaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, pineapple cake.

Thurs, April 13: chicken patty with mayo, whole wheat pasta salad, vegetables, fruit.

Fri, April 14: cream tomatoes, potatoes, apples, whole wheat biscuit.

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.

Calhoun County Park News

Submitted by: Roger and Linda Jarvis

Calhoun County Park Board Meeting was held Thursday, March 2, 2023 with Commissioner Matt Walker in attendance.

The Park has developed a Strategic Plan for the next five years:

*First Year: new barn windows, barn roof repairs, new heating and AC, security cameras, acquire and install donated play sets, finish shelter by cabin, toilets and trash maintenance, road maintenance, paint shelters, install donated electronic sign at park entrance, new and improved signs, renovate baseball and basketball areas.

*Second Year: ceiling and flooring of barn, LED barn lights, parking lots lights, picnic tables, grills, fire rings, firewood shed, tractor shed, new bathhouse, historical village water and electricity.

*Three to Five Years: new play sets, water to shelters, sewer dump station, additional cabins, putting/chipping green, Frisbee golf, putt-putt golf course, water park, barn restroom restoration, replace barn decks.

Upcoming events:

April 29: Girl Scout, Jasmine Tingler will set up telescope for National Astronomy Day for the public.

May 20: Kite Day

TBA: Making paper planes and competing was discussed.

The Herb Smith Community Building is having a make-over. The kitchen has a new stainless steel refrigerator and three shelves. We still need to acquire a chest freezer. The four windows donated by Simonton Windows have been installed. The stage upstairs is gone. Work for the coming month includes new screws for roof, walls painted and new wood grain flooring. Any Volunteer input and support from the community would be appreciated.

WASTE NOT/WANT NOT (April)

Submitted By: Judy Wolfram

It's April, it's Spring, it's Easter. It's Holy time, it's cooking time, it's candy time. You will have leftovers, oh yeah.

Not much of the candy, of course, but probably ham and hard boiled eggs. Make sure that you do not let your dyed eggs sit out too long. Refrigerate them as soon as they are cooled off. They spoil quickly if left out when it's warm.

You can use the hard boiled eggs for some things. For instance, deviled eggs. Just peel them, cut them in half, mix the yolk with Miracle Whip or mayonnaise, and a touch of dry (or wet) mustard, salt and pepper to taste, and then stir the mixture into the empty halves and you are good to go. How about cutting hard boiled eggs up in potato salad, macaroni salad or tuna fish salad? Good stuff.

Then, there is the good old fashioned, egg salad. Just cut up the eggs and mix with mayonnaise or Miracle Whip and salt and pepper. You can also add a touch of mustard (dry or wet), onion, garlic or chives. Whatever you cook, parsley works too, or you can make your favorite white sauce, and have creamed, hard boiled eggs on toast, a bagel or biscuit. Just eat whatever eggs are left after all that with salt or hot sauce.

So, now the candy is gone (for sure) and most of the eggs, (maybe), but we still have ham to deal with. You can freeze some of it, but not for too long. Ham gets sort of rubbery and loses taste when frozen too long. You can slice ham and fry it to have with eggs, pancakes or waffles for breakfast. Add some to any kind of beans or bean soup that you choose to make. Cornbread goes well with ham and beans.

Make a pot of ham and cabbage, add onions and potatoes. Good stuff.

Make a casserole with scalloped potatoes and add ham, extra sharp cheese and onions, or just add vegetables to re-heated ham and you'll have a good meal.

Of course, there's always ham sandwiches, plain, or make ham salad. Chop up some ham, add a bit of sweet relish, and some mayo or Miracle Whip and mix well. Add a bowl of soup to the mix and lunch is served.

Hope I helped. A happy and blessed Easter to our readers.

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Glenville State University Career Expo

Submitted By Dustin Crutchfiel, Glenville State University, Public Relations & Marketing, (304) 462-4115

Employers Invited to Career Expo at Glenville State University
 GLENVILLE, WV - The annual Glenville State University Career and Graduate School Expo is scheduled for Thursday, April 13 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the GSU Waco Center.

The Career and Graduate School Expo provides area employers with the opportunity to meet many talented students who will be graduating in May and recent graduates who are ready to begin their careers. All prospective employers who provide students with opportunities upon graduation, summer employment, or internship positions are invited to participate. Many Glenville State students will attend the fair, and they look forward to learning about possible employment opportunities.

Employers interested in having a booth at the expo should contact Career.Services@glenville.edu to sign up. Registration and participation are free for all businesses and organizations and lunch is provided.

For more information about the Career and Graduate School Expo or to reserve space for a business, government agency, university, non-profit entity, or other organization, contact (304) 462-4118.



Photo Caption: Students talk with a recruiter at a past Glenville State University Career and Graduate School Expo.

Calhoun Middle High School Baseball News

Calhoun Middle School Baseball opened their season, March 22, 2023 at Buffalo High School playing George Washington Middle School. Garrett Carpenter and Chase Schoolcraft had a single hit each. Pitcher, Reese Schoolcraft, faced 22 batters, allowing only 4 hits, 1 hit by pitch, 2 runs and 6 strikeouts. Despite great effort the Red Devils could not score runs. Final score 0-2, George Washington.

March 27th, the Middle School Red Devils hosted Clay County at home. Brennen Carpenter started the game with a single, followed by Charter Cottrell with a double and Chase Schoolcraft a single and RBI to start the Red Devils on their path to victory. As a team the Red Devils had 33 at bats, 14 hits – 10 singles, 3 doubles, 1 triple with 19 RBIs.

Rome Riddle – 3 hits – 2 singles, 1 double, 5 RBI, 3 runs
 Brennen Carpenter – 3 hits – 2 singles, 1 double, 3 RBI, 3 runs
 Garrett Carpenter – 2 hits – singles, 4 RBI, 3 runs
 Orion Swearingen – 2 hits – singles, 3 RBI, 2 runs
 Chase Schoolcraft – 2 hits – 1 single, 1 triple, 2 RBI, 4 runs
 Charter Cottrell – 1 hit – double, 1 BB, 2 runs
 Ruger Carder – 1 hit – single, 1 RBI
 Reese Schoolcraft – 1 hit reached on error, 1 run
 Evan Collins – 1 BB, 1 run
 Cooper Morris – 3 BB, 3 runs
 Chace Toney – 1 BB
 Evan Burch played but did not advance to base.
 Reese Schoolcraft pitched 2 innings, throwing 30 pitches – 10 balls and 20 strikes thrown – to 10 batters, having 3 strikeouts.
 Cooper Morris pitched 2 innings, throwing 30 pitches – 14 balls and 16 strikes thrown – to 14 batters, having 3 strikeouts and 2 base on balls.
 Chase Schoolcraft closed the game pitching 13 pitches – 4 balls and 9 strikes thrown – 3 batters, having 3 strikeouts
 Game ended with a 23 – 0 win over Clay Middle School.

March 29th CMS hosted Braxton Middle School. One highlight of the game, other than Reese Schoolcraft's dominate night on the mound, was in the bottom of the 5th inning when Braxton's Remi Huffman tried to advance to 3rd as his teammate was thrown out at first. Schoolcraft caught the ball and fired it to Riddle at 3rd. A perfectly executed rundown proceeded with Huffman being tagged out.

Batting Stats: Cooper Morris – 2 hits – 1 single, 1 double – 1 RBI, 1 BB
 Charter Cottrell – 2 hits – singles – 1 run
 Chase Schoolcraft – 2 hits – singles – 1 run
 Chace Toney – 2 hits – singles – 1 RBI, 1 BB, 2 Runs
 Garrett Carpenter – 1 hit – single – 1 RBI, 2 BB, 2 Runs
 Orion Swearingen – 1 Hit – single – 1 BB
 Rome Riddle – 1 BB
 Evan Collins – 1 RBI

Pitching: Reese Schoolcraft pitched 6 innings, throwing 94 pitches – 27 balls, 67 strikes allowing only 1 run. Reese allowed 2 base on balls and had 9 strike outs. Chase Schoolcraft closed the game throwing 7 pitches – 2 balls, 5 strikes

The CMS Red Devils will be back in action at Roane County High School Saturday, April 1st with a doubleheader against Spencer. First game scheduled to begin at 2pm.



Joshua Hixon and Lacy Hicks were awarded the 2023 Lindsey Mann Achievement Award at the track meet on April 2nd in Roane County.

Gov. Justice issues statement on HB 2820

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CHARLESTON, WV – Gov. Jim Justice issued the following statement today after he allowed HB 2820 to go into law without his signature:

“I fully support the ability of our HOPE scholarship recipients, students in microschoools or learning pods, homeschooled students, or our private school students to participate in extracurricular activities at their school or at their local public school.

“However, the extra provision in this bill which allows all public school students to transfer schools and retain athletic eligibility one time during their four years of high school is something I have a big problem with.

“Allowing student athletes to transfer to any school whatsoever with no purpose other than jumping to a better athletic team will do nothing but make a few teams better at the expense of all the others.

“As a high school coach myself, I’ve spent decades with high schoolers, and I believe wholeheartedly that coaching is one of the most rewarding experiences you can participate in. It’s one that all West Virginians should get involved with at some point in their lives, because it’s up to us to pass down our wisdom to the next generation so that our teenagers are equipped to handle all that’s thrown at them from so many different directions.

“I couldn’t veto this bill because I strongly support allowing our HOPE scholarship recipients, students in microschoools or learning pods, homeschooled students, and our private school students to participate in extracurricular activities across the board. However, I will ask the Legislature next session to revisit the transfer rules, because if we don’t, I fear we’re heading down the wrong path with our high school athletes and opening up the door to many unintended consequences.”

DHHR Recognizes April as Child Abuse Awareness

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DHHR Recognizes April as Child Abuse Prevention Month

CHARLESTON, W.Va. – The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) joins organizations and advocates around the nation in recognizing April as Child Abuse Prevention Month, which highlights the importance of working together to strengthen families to prevent child abuse and neglect.

“Promoting the social, emotional, and developmental well-being of West Virginia children is our top priority,” said Jeff Pack, Commissioner of DHHR’s Bureau for Social Services. “Together, we can increase awareness of this topic and strengthen year-round efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect.”

Governor Jim Justice also proclaimed April 2023 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in West Virginia.

“Children are the key to our future,” said Gov. Justice. “We must work together to assure every child in West Virginia has a healthy, happy childhood free from abuse and neglect.”

To show support for children and families and to help build momentum for Child Abuse Prevention Month, West Virginians are encouraged to participate in “Wear Blue Day,” on Friday, March 31. The color blue and silver and blue pinwheels are the recognized symbols for child abuse prevention.

To report suspected child abuse or neglect, call DHHR’s Centralized Intake for Abuse and Neglect (24/7): 1-800-352-6513. Click here for prevention resources. To view and apply for careers in the child welfare field, visit dhhr.wv.gov/Pages/Career-Opportunities.aspx.

Calhoun Middle High School Softball News

Calhoun Middle School Softball Gets Victory Over Braxton MS.

Four hits from Raylee Cunningham paved the way to victory for Calhoun Middle School Softball over Braxton MS 14-4 on Wednesday. Raylee singled in the second, doubled in the third, singled in the fourth, and singled in the sixth.

Calhoun scored four runs in the sixth inning. Gabi Smith, Remedy Riddel and Kyla Myer each had RBIs in the frame.

Remedy Riddel was the winning pitcher for Calhoun. The righthander lasted six innings, allowing ten hits and four runs while striking out nine batters.

Calhoun tallied 23 hits on the day. Raylee Cunningham, Kyla Myer, Kendall Snodgrass, Remedy Riddel and Kayleigh Cunningham all managed multiple hits for Calhoun Middle School Softball. Remedy, Kendall, Kyla, and Raylee all had four hits to lead Calhoun. Calhoun stole 21 bases during the game as five players stole more than one. Raylee led the way with four.

Calhoun Middle School Softball lost the lead late in a 14-4 defeat to Clay MS.

The game was tied at three with Clay batting in the top of the fifth when they singled on a 1-2 count, scoring one run. Calhoun struggled to put runs on the board and had a tough time defensively containing Clay, giving up 14 runs.

Clay MS opened up scoring in the first inning and scored one run on a stolen base. Calhoun knotted the game up at three in the bottom of the fourth inning. Clay scored five runs in the sixth inning and was driven by singles.

Remedy Riddel started the game in the circle for Calhoun Middle School. Remedy allowed 17 hits and 14 runs over seven innings, striking out 15 batters.

Kendall Snodgrass led Calhoun with two hits in three at bats. Calhoun stole 13 bases during the game as four players stole more than one. Kyla Myer led the way with four.



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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**

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Calhoun County Commission Levy Estimate (Budget) 2023 - 2024 Fiscal Year

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
County of: Calhoun, West Virginia
In accordance with Code §11-8-10, as amended, the Calhoun County Commission proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current year, and doth determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Estimated Revenues. Includes Fund Balance, Property Taxes Current year, Prior Year Taxes, Tax Penalties, Interest & Publication Fees, Property Transfer Tax, Gas & Oil Severance Tax, Wine & Liquor Tax, Miscellaneous Energy Tax (Coal Bed Methane), Building Permits, Federal Grants / Federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes, State Grants, Sheriff's Service of Process, Sheriff's Earnings, County Clerk's Earnings, Circuit Clerk's Earnings, Motor Vehicle License Fee, Rents & Concessions, IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan), Miscellaneous Revenue, Sheriff's Commission, Gaming Income, Video Lottery, Royalties, Refunds / Reimbursement (External Sources), Transfers From Other Funds, Emergency 911 Reimbursement, Home Confinement Reimbursements, Transfers Assessor's Valuation Fund, Total Estimated General Fund Revenues, Coal Severance Tax, Assigned Fund Balance, Coal Severance Tax, Total Coal Severance.

Table with 3 columns: Description, General Fund, Coal Severance Tax Fund. Includes ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES GENERAL GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH AND SANITATION, TOTAL HEALTH & SANITATION, CULTURE AND RECREATION, TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION, TOTAL SOCIAL SERVICES, CAPITAL PROJECTS, TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY, Total Expenditures.

CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
REGULAR CURRENT EXPENSE LEVY
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024

Table with 4 columns: Description, Assessed Value for Tax Purposes, Levy Rate/\$100, Taxes Levied. Includes Class I, Class II, Class III, Class IV, Total Value & Projected Revenue, Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes, Less Tax Discounts, Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable), Total Projected Property Tax Collection, Less Assessor Valuation Fund, Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes.

CALHOUN COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA
Excess Levy/Levies
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024

Table with 4 columns: Description, Assessed Value for Tax Purposes, Levy Rate/\$100, Taxes Levied. Includes Class I, Class II, Class III, Class IV, Total Value & Projected Revenue, Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes, Less Tax Discounts, Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF CALHOUN
I, JEAN SIMERS, CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF SAID COUNTY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ARE TRUE COPIES FROM THE RECORD OF ORDERS MADE AND ENTERED BY SAID COMMISSION ON THE 28th DAY OF MARCH 2023.

Jean Simers (Signature)



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FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024
LEVY ESTIMATE - BUDGET DOCUMENT

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
MUNICIPALITY OF Grantsville, WEST VIRGINIA
In accordance with Code §11-8-14, as amended, the Council proceeded to make an estimate of the amounts necessary to be raised by levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, and does determine and estimate the several amounts to be as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Estimated Revenues. Includes Unassigned Fund Balance, Property Taxes - Current Expense, Prior Year Taxes, Gas & Oil Severance Tax, Excise Tax on Utilities, Business and Occupation Tax, Licenses, Building Permit Fees, IRP Fees (Interstate Registration Plan), Municipal Service Fees, Rents, Royalties, and Concessions, Gaming Income, Video Lottery (LVL), TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (GENERAL FUND), COAL SEVERANCE TAX FUND, Assigned Fund Balance, Coal Severance Tax, TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE (COAL SEVERANCE FUND).

Table with 3 columns: Description, General Fund, Coal Severance Fund. Includes ESTIMATED CURRENT EXPENDITURES: Mayor's Office, City Council, Recorder's Office, City Manager's Office, City Auditor, Regional Development Authority, City Hall, Police Department, Streets and Highways, Street Lights, Signs and Signals, Snow Removal, Sidewalks, Parks & Recreation, Beautification Programs, TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES.

MUNICIPALITY OF Grantsville, WEST VIRGINIA
Regular Current Expense Levy
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024

Table with 4 columns: Description, Assessed Value for Tax Purposes, Levy Rate/\$100, Taxes Levied. Includes CLASS I (Personal Property, Public Utility), CLASS II (Real Estate, Personal Property), CLASS IV (Real Estate, Personal Property, Public Utility), Total Value & Projected Revenue, Less Delinquencies, Exonerations & Uncollectable Taxes, Less Tax Discounts, Less Allowance for Tax Increment Financing (if Applicable), Total Projected Property Tax Collection, Less Assessor Valuation Fund, Net Amount to be Raised by Levy of Property Taxes.

MUNICIPALITY OF Grantsville, WEST VIRGINIA
Regular Current Expense Levy
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024

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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF Calhoun
MUNICIPALITY OF Grantsville
I, Judy Powell, Recording Officer of said municipality, do hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies from the record of the orders made and entered by the council of the said municipality on the 30th day of March, 2023.

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Public Health Week Editorial

Submitted by Amy Phelps, Public Information Officer, Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department, 304-485-7374 ext. 168

April 3-9 is National Public Health Week, a time to celebrate Public Health, and all of the work it does for the community. That work often gets overlooked, and yet is quietly running in the background of the public's lives, helping to keep its members safe and healthy. Your local health department, The Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department, is more than just COVID vaccines, as all of Public Health has been associated with in the past three years.

The Health Department's work impacts everyone every day in many ways that might not be thought about immediately, and in six counties: Wood, Wirt, Roane, Calhoun, Pleasants and Ritchie.

Have you eaten at a restaurant lately? The Environmental Health workers have inspected them to make sure they are serving you safely. They have trained employees in food handling classes.

And that's not all they also do indoor air inspections and enforce the Clean Indoor Air regulations.

When fair and festival season comes around, they have checked all of the food vendors to make sure they too are serving food properly.

Want to enjoy a pool or campground this summer? Once again, Environmental Health workers have been there, ensuring proper operating practices of both.

Thinking of getting a tattoo, piercing or tan? Those establishments have also been inspected by Environmental Health to make sure they are keeping everyone safe and healthy.

Does your house use a septic system or water well? Those too have been inspected by Environmental Health.

The Clinical department is kept busy by giving out plenty of vaccines that have nothing to do with COVID, including 1,876 flu vaccines given in 2022.

They are there to make sure children and teens get the vaccines they need to go to school, with appointments all summer long so they are ready when the first day approaches.

For anyone wanting to travel outside the country, they are there to give the necessary vaccinations.

But they are more than just vaccine givers. Clinical also performed 1,385 sexually transmitted disease/HIV screenings and treatments in 2022. They handled tuberculosis screenings and treatments that year as well. They continuously provide breast and cervical cancer screenings for women. Their Oral Health department also routinely gives screenings for tooth decay.

WIC (Women, Infants and Children) Services is also a part of the Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department. WIC provides nutrition education and counseling, breastfeeding support, health screenings/referrals and more to pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women and children up to age 5 throughout MOVHD's six counties, as well as Jackson, Mason and Gilmer Counties. In 2022, they had a monthly caseload of 4098.

The Community Health and Threat Preparedness Departments are also there to help the members of the community with educational resources to protect their health.

Community Health is launching its updated Step Up MOV program with free exercise classes for the community that add health education to the mix, MOV Ruck Club which adds weight to walking for a better workout, and looks to continue to add programming to help everyone achieve better health.

Threat Preparedness stands by to respond to public health emergencies with its response team as well as trained volunteers.

Administration and Finance works with all of these departments to ensure we can provide these services. Everyone works together as part of a large team with one goal in mind - the health and safety of our communities.

The Mid-Ohio Valley Health Department continues to be a vital part of its communities. This Public Health Week, let's acknowledge the hard work and dedication its employees and all of Public Health have done every day to better everyone's health, long before and long after COVID.

Gov. Proclaims April National Alcohol Awareness Month

CHARLESTON, WV – The West Virginia Alcohol Beverage Control Administration (WVABCA) is pleased to report that Governor Jim Justice has officially recognized April as Alcohol Awareness Month in West Virginia. In issuing a proclamation, Governor Justice emphasized the need to increase public awareness and understanding about the dangers associated with underage alcohol use and adult alcohol misuse.

Since 1987, the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence has recognized April as Alcohol Awareness Month. According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) every year in the United States approximately 95,000 people die from alcohol related causes. Alcohol Use Disorder (AUD) affects about 15 million adults in the United States, (National Institute for Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism-NIAAA). The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) reports that about 2.3 million adolescents aged 12 to 17 in 2019 drank alcohol in the past month, and about 1.2 million of these adolescents binge drank in the last month.

WVABCA Commissioner Fred Wooton said, "We are grateful for Governor Justice's proclamation." Commissioner Wooton added, "the WVABCA is committed to addressing the dangers associated with alcohol misuse by working with community leaders and law enforcement on a local, county and state level as we strengthen our collective ability to protect our youth and families"

To address these issues, the WVABCA has a DUI Simulator that has traveled to high schools across the state and attended safety type events. Since 2010, over 67,000 students have experienced this life saving program. Additionally, the WVABCA's NO School Spirits Public Service Announcement (PSA) contest has reached tens of thousands of students. This program is in its tenth year and encourages and empowers youth to develop and produce meaningful educational and prevention messaging aimed at preventing underage drinking. The WVABCA licensing and enforcement efforts are also geared to protect the public. New carding posters are available for businesses to ensure compliance and help avoid underage alcohol sales

Support For Mothers and Babies Act Signed Into Law

Contact: Sadie Keaton, West Virginians for Life Legislative Director, (304) 476-9015

Support For Mothers and Babies Act Signed into Law Making WV the 15th State to Offer Funding to Pro-Life Pregnancy Help Centers

On Wednesday, March 28, pro-life governor Jim Justice joined pro-lifers at CrossRoads Pregnancy Center in Charleston to sign the Support for Mothers and Babies Act into law.

West Virginia continues to lead the nation in the post-Roe era by promoting life from conception to natural death. At the 2023 State of the State, Governor Jim Justice expressed his desire to create a \$1 million fund for pregnancy help centers who offer life-affirming care across the state.

Governor Justice demonstrated his strong pro-life position by choosing to sign the bill at a pro-life pregnancy center, joined by numerous supporters. Just before signing, Justice encouraged all bill supporters to continue their efforts to provide more funding to these organizations, where families receive education and practical and emotional help as they transition to parenthood. He went on to share the importance that these centers have in helping mothers and their babies succeed in life.

Lead sponsor Delegate Dean Jeffries introduced this bill early in the 2023 legislative session with full support from West Virginians for Life (WVFL). Delegate Jeffries was present for the signing, and can be spotted in various photographs and news clips.

Not only does this legislation provide financial support to pro-life pregnancy help organizations, but it also provides adoption incentives too. West Virginians for Life legislative director Sadie Keaton expressed her gratitude for all who participated in making history by passing the Support for Mothers and Babies Act. "West Virginians elected an overwhelming majority of pro-life legislators to fight for babies, women, and families to be protected from the abortion industry. Thank you to all who fight for our most vulnerable, and work tirelessly to create a culture of life in West Virginia."

"WVFL is proud to be able to participate with so many pro-life supporters in preparing and passing legislation to help support the centers engaged in bringing these innocent lives into a world where they can receive loving care," said Wanda Franz, President of WVFL.

State Of Preparedness Remains in Effect since March 23

CHARLESTON, WV – On March 23, 2023, Gov. Jim Justice declared a State of Preparedness for all 55 counties in response to forecasted hazardous weather.

The State of Preparedness remains in place for 30 days, and as such, State agencies, external partners, and resources remain on standby to respond quickly should help be needed.

Currently, severe storms, heavy rainfall, and strong winds are forecast for the entire state, and a High Wind Watch has been issued for many Northern West Virginia counties.

The State Emergency Operations Center at the West Virginia Emergency Management Division (WVEMD) continues at Partial Activation. The WVEMD will closely monitor weather threats, stream levels, and remain in close contact with local emergency managers across the state for the duration of this event.

First Lady Cathy Justice plans Bunny Brunch

Submitted By: Serena Nichols, serena.r.nichols@wv.gov

First Lady Cathy Justice announces plans for annual Bunny Brunch and Easter Celebration

CHARLESTON, WV — First Lady Cathy Justice announced today plans for the 2023 Bunny Brunch and Easter Celebration, which will be held Saturday, April 8, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the West Virginia Culture Center at the State Capitol Complex in Charleston.

"This event is always so much fun," First Lady Justice said. "The petting zoo was such a hit last year, so we just knew we had to bring it back. There is truly something for everyone to do, and Jim and I hope that everyone will come out to celebrate with us."

The Culture Center will be transformed into an Easter Celebration, complete with a petting zoo, bicycle giveaways, princess storytelling, games, prizes, crafts, food, and an appearance by the Easter Bunny. There will also be a Golden Easter Egg Hunt with prizes awarded on the grounds of the Capitol. The event is free of charge and open to the public.



"We need to accept that we won't always make the right decisions, that we'll screw up royally sometimes—understanding that failure is not the opposite of success, it's part of success." —Arianna Huffington

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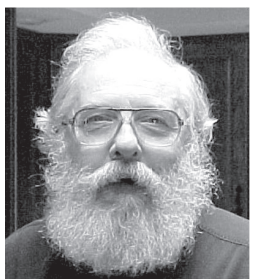




Creston

News

by Alvin Engelke
Phone 275-3578



ALUMNI DAY ORGANIZATION MEETING

Date: Thursday | April 20, 2023

Time: 6pm

Location: 1982 Foundation Pavilion

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Rev. Keith Gillespie came to the Burning Springs M. E. Church Sunday but there were not many there to hear him as electric service in the Creston (and Burning Springs) areas was nonexistent and telephones were dead and, of course, there was no internet. Electric service in Creston came back on Sunday afternoon after the Creston Easter party was cancelled.

Frankie Mowrey, age 92, passed away at the Miletree Center after battling Alzheimer's disease. The widow of Phil Mowrey, she will be laid to rest on Wednesday.

Creston once again had high water although not many roads were blocked. Hyacinths and blood root are in bloom as are many other beautiful spring ephemerals. It is a time to take a walk in the woods to see all the wonders that surround us.

Glen Henthorn, Frances Lemley, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Davis were all attending to business in Creston and Glenville.

Helma Starcher, age 88, died in the Miletree center in Spencer. He was a long time employee at the Calhoun road garage. He was the man there early and available to do whatever task needed to be done, often with the help of "Doc" McCune.

A new ammonia plant is to be built in Texas to use natural gas produced here. Do our "betters" down at the Mouth of the Elk go out of their way to make sure that our natural resources are not utilized here? Is it state policy to prohibit downstream job and wealth generation from our natural resources?

The Freeport Texas LNG facility is now back up and running sending off for export 2bcf/day (billion cubic feet) of natural gas to other nations. The TransCanada pipeline that goes under W. Va. below Creston is said to transport that amount each and every day.

Speaking of folks down at the Mouth of the Elk, the governor now has his wages garnished to pay a \$850,000 judgement. Mitch McConnell, whose wife has a big Chinese shipping company, wants him to be the Republican candidate for U.S. Senate while other swamp uniparty Republicans are backing Broadway Joe (or Maserati Joe as they call him). That way, regardless of the turnout of the election the deep state uniparty wins. There is also a fight over control of the W. Va. Republican party involving operatives from the Dee Cee swamp. Folks need to get involved.

There is a big timber job up near the head of Ann's Run. Humongous loads of logs are being hauled off to Ohio. Some years back there was a move to locate a wood products facility in Wirt County and the legislature had appropriated the funds to purchase the land but Broadway Joe said that Wirt County did not need such and he killed the project.

Nancy Engelke was consulting with her eye doctor.

The big out of state high dollar contract tree whacking job continued in and around Burning Springs. Travelers can drive by and observe the tall dead trees that were left. One dead evergreen

had the limbs on the road side cut off. Apparently, the high dollar lucrative tree "trimming" contracts, described as being "core maintenance" did not include dead trees along the roadway that will fall across the highway.

Highways biggie Jimmy Wriston said that there would be a "pothole repair blitz" that would have all the imperfections in the surface of the roadway fixed by Decoration Day. He noted that the blacktop plants were not open in the winter and apparently, he assumed that the readers of the press release (that looked like last year's edition) would not know about the high grade cold mix that has been used for years to fix bad holes in cold weather. He included in the release about the big contracts for making sure the sun hits the roadways (no leaves in the way).

The price of local Pennsylvania grade crude rose to \$74.67/bbl. while the price of condensate was \$58.67/bbl. Marcellus and Utica light fetched \$65.67 and medium was \$74.67/bbl. The Marcellus and Utica fields of W. Va., Ohio and Pennsylvania supplied 29% of the entire nation's natural gas and this week the Henry Hub price dripped to \$2.03/MMBTU/

The Creston Community Easter party was rescheduled for noon on Saturday April 8 at the Creston Community Building. It is a covered dish event so please coordinate your contributions with either Kathleen or Barb at 304-275-0003 or 275-0006.

SPRING FLING Event APRIL 14, 15

Spring Fling Schedule of Events	
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11:00 - 2:00.	Smoked Turkey Lunch
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10:00 - 5:00.	Craft Show
10:00 - 12:00.	Farm Life Exhibit
11:00 - 12:00.	Goat Races
10:00 - 12:00.	Wellness Recovery Action Plan
12:00 - 3:00.	Chili Cook Off & Sale
1:00 - 1:30.	Turkey Season Fashion Show
1:30 - 3:30.	Program (1982 Update/Prizes)
3:30 - 4:00.	Ground Breaking



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Family is considered 4-5 people
Cash Only



The first 50 people to register will get a free shirt for the race. Additional shirts will be available for \$10. All fees will be collected at sign in and will benefit CORE. Paper registration forms available at MHHS registration desk.

Trap-Neuter-Return April 16 & 18

WAG Trap-Neuter-Return on April 16 and April 18

On Sunday, April 16, 2023, the Welfare of Animals Group (WAG) will be humanely trapping stray and feral cats in the Grantsville area, and on Tuesday, April 18 in the Chloe area 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 if you would not put food out for them on Saturday, April 15 as we will be trapping on Sunday morning, or on Monday, April 17, as we will be trapping on Tuesday 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 759 community cats (419 females and 340 males).

Please keep your personal cats indoors or put a collar on them on Sunday the 16th, or on Tuesday the 18th. If you have any questions, please call Linda at 304-354-7506.

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.

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