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### Grantsville Recreational River Park Beautification Project

By Melissa West



I have come to learn from talking with the Mayor of Grantsville on a few occasions, that he does not seek out praise for the work he does for the community. He can not only be found at his office, but out working along side the Town employees. Bob Petrovsky is the true definition of a “working Mayor.” The Mayor and his team are working hard to transform the old city park into something wonderful for the community. Pictures courtesy of Judy Powell.

Thank you Mr. Mayor and your employees for making Grantsville better! They did all the hard work, so now it up to everyone who uses the park to keep it clean. Again, THANK YOU!!!!

Pictured on left: Mayor Bob Petrovsky



Pictures Above: Town Employees Jesse Davis and Eric Cain

Pictured Below : April Petroskey and Town Employee Junior Keener

Pictured on Right: AJ Petroskey



### Satterfield at Large, Wanted for Attempted Murder and Attempted Arson

By: Shari Johnson

Trooper J.D. Richards of the West Virginia State Police has filed a criminal complaint in the Magistrate Court of Calhoun County for the arrest of Jody Alan Satterfield for Attempted 1st Degree Murder and Attempted 1st Degree Arson of a Dwelling.

In Trooper Richards’ complaint, he stated that on or about Monday, July 17th, 2023 at approximately 11 a.m. he was notified of an individual located in the Calhoun Magistrate Court, wanting to make a complaint. Trooper Richards went to the court and brought the complainant back to the State Police Barracks, across the street from the courthouse, where he conducted a preliminary interview with victim, Diana Lea Satterfield, age 70.

Ms. Satterfield informed Trooper Richards that her son, Jody Alan Satterfield, age 50, attempted to kill her on the morning of July 11, 2023. She was adamant that she had been drugged with a substance that the accused had put into her coffee on July 9th, 2023, and possibly July 10th, 2023 which lead up to the events that unfolded on the 11th of July.

Trooper Richards sat down with Diana Satterfield on July 29th, 2023 for an in-depth interview regarding the events. At that time Ms. Satterfield stated that Jody Satterfield had made coffee for her at approximately 8 or 9 p.m. on July 9th. After she consumed the coffee, and nothing else, she began to have weakness, numbness and occurrences of being in and out of consciousness. She told the Trooper that she remembered waking up briefly the next morning with the accused standing over her in her bedroom while she was on the floor, adding that she could not move from the weakness she felt, but Jody Satterfield offered her no help to get up from the floor.

Kevin Starcher, the brother of the victim, arrived at approximately 5:30 a.m after being notified by Diana Satterfield of the situation. When she had crawled to the bed, Kevin aided her to get in. At a point later in the day, she recalled getting out of her bed and going to the living room where she seen Jody Satterfield sitting in a recliner opposite of her, telling her that he had once again made coffee. She detailed further that she went unconscious again and woke up at around 3 a.m. on the 11th of July. She attempted to get up for approximately an hour and finally did get out of her recliner. The first thing she recalls was the overwhelming smell of natural gas in the house. She described the nausea as being overwhelming. She also noted that when going into her bedroom and opening the door, the experience was like a wall of gas hitting her in the face. She tried to open the doors and air the residence out and noticed that the burners on her stove were set to the highest possible setting without a flame. Telling the Trooper that the burners on her stove ignite automatically, so that if someone were to turn the gas on they would have to put the flames out for the gas to run as it was, and demonstrated it for the Trooper. When opening the front door, Diana Satterfield noticed that a candle had been lit, around six feet from the stove. After throwing the candle out onto her lawn, she realized that her son, Jody Satterfield was gone, and a firearm belonging to her was missing. The gun was described as a Charter Arms Pink Lady 3.8 Special. All of her bank cards were gone as well.

The only one’s living at the residence of 161 Daniels Run Road, Millstone, WV were there accused and the victim. Her family that lived nearby were at the beach on vacation at the time (confirmed by Trooper Richards).

Ms. Satterfield informed the Trooper that she had sent a text to Tristan Satterfield, her grandson, and the son of Jody, to ask where Jody Satterfield was and described that her head was hurting from the smell of gas. Tristan happened to be with Jody.

Jody Satterfield had been living with his mother Diana for about three months, reportedly seldom ever leaving the house, except to go to the gas station for cigarettes. When Trooper Richards interviewed Tristan Satterfield on July 29th about the events that had taken place on July 11th, 2023, Tristan told him that Jody Satterfield had arrived at his residence at Calhoun Homes Drive, Mt. Zion at around 1 a.m. At that time Jody Satterfield was driving the vehicle of Diana Satterfield and wanted Tristan to go with him to Spencer. When Tristan finally relinquished to going, and said that Jody drove the two of them to Spencer but failed to stop, driving further on to Parkersburg, WV where Tristan convinced him to stop at the home of Lakritia Reeder and Aaron Reeder, who were family. When Tristan expressed concern about his grandmother not having her vehicle, Tristan left Jody Satterfield at the residence and returned the vehicle to Diana Satterfield later in the morning. Tristan informed the Trooper that when he arrived he noticed the candle in the front yard, and the house, although it was being aired out, there was still a foul, pungent odor of natural gas that was still heavy.

Trooper Richards also interviewed Lakritia Reeder who reported that Jody Satterfield had stayed at her residence from July 11th, 2023 until July 17th. During that time he mentioned some very concerning things to her such as he “watched that witch explode,” and he wasn’t sorry for doing it, it had to be done.” He also stated that he “would not shed a tear for his own mother dying.” Lakritia was adamant that the accused was bragging about killing his own mother. Another interview on July 29th was that of Trooper Richards and Welltender Dana Haught. Dana oversees the well that supplies natural gas to the residence of Diana Satterfield. He told the Trooper that there was a noticeable and distinct increase in gas consumption when compared to the same time one year ago. Mr. Haught supplied the consumption logs for evidence.

Warrants have been issued for Jody Alan Satterfield for “Attempted Premeditated First Degree Murder” on his Mother’s life, as well as a “Attempted Arson.” If convicted the accused faces 2-20 years in prison for the Attempted Murder or 3-15 years for the Arson charge as well a fines. Satterfield is currently at large and considered armed and dangerous. If his location is known, or if he is seen, please contact the police immediately.

Defendants are assumed innocent until proven guilty.



# OBITUARIES

## ROBERTA "SUZANNE" FOX

Roberta "Suzanne" Fox, 65, of Charleston, WV, formerly of Grantsville, WV, passed away at CAMC Memorial Hospital on June 29, 2023, following her battle with cancer.

She was born in Clarksburg WV.

She was preceded in death by her parents Robert Donavon "Buddy" Watson formerly of Clarksburg, WV and Monoka Turner formerly of Sandfork, WV, her infant half-sister Anita Turner, and her husband Jerry Michael "Mike" Fox of Grantsville, WV.

She is survived by her three children Christopher B. Fox, Jason S. Fox, and Brandon S. Fox, all of Charleston, WV.

She also leaves behind her twin sister Rebecca "Suzette" Bragg of Heaters, WV and two half-sisters Wendy Turner of Clarksburg, WV and Donna Stevens of Charleston, SC.

No public service will be held. Stump Funeral Home & Cremation, Inc., Grantsville, WV, was honored to serve the Fox family and assist with Suzanne's final arrangements. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.stumpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.stumpfuneralhomes.com)

## EDITH GAIL BUTLER

Edith Gail Butler, 75, of Normantown, WV, went to be with the Lord after a long battle with cancer on July 24, 2023, at Roane General Hospital, Spencer, WV.

She was born, a daughter of the late Bruce and Virginia Tackett Hamilton, born in Grethel, KY. She was preceded in death but here parents and eight brothers and sisters and her husband of 48 years Larry Butler.

She is survived by three children, Kenneth Frashure and wife Diana of Pikeville, KY, Tammy Shackelford and husband Gerry of Lynn, WV, and Douglas Butler of Normantown, WV.

A funeral service was held at Stump Funeral Home & Cremation, Grantsville, WV, on July 26, 2023. Interment was in the Collins Community Cemetery.

Per family request, in lieu of flowers, please make memorial donations to First Baptist Church of Glenville Cancer Fund, c/o Susie Sheets, 15 Krystle Dr., Glenville, WV. 26351. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.stumpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.stumpfuneralhomes.com)

## MADELINE LOU (COTTRILL)WOOD

Madeline Lou Wood, 74, of Shock, West Virginia, went to be with the Lord on July 23, 2023 peacefully at home. She was born the daughter of Ruffner and Becky Nichols Cottrill.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her identical twin sister Mildred Sue Speed and her husband Darrell Dean Wood.

Madeline is survived by her son Benjamin Wood; her sister Karen Hart and two brothers Clelly Frame and Johnny Howes; two foster daughters, Debbie Mosley of Yuma, AZ and Ramona Wood of Athens, AL; two grandchildren, Starla Wood and Casie Raines; four great-grandchildren, four step-grandsons, one step-granddaughter and three step-great-grandchildren, along with a host of nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held at Stump Funeral Home & Cremation, Inc., Arnoldsburg, WV, on July 31, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. with Elder Gene Miller officiating. Interment will be at Collins Community Cemetery. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.stumpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.stumpfuneralhomes.com)

## ARTHUR NEAL RIGGS

Arthur Neal Riggs, 82, of Parkersburg, WV, departed this life on Friday, July 21, 2023, at his residence, surrounded by his loving family.

Arthur was born in Beason, WV, a son of the late Roy Cline and Wanema (Hogue) Riggs. He retired in 2003 as a chemical mechanic from American Cyanamid of Willow Island, WV after a 38-year career. Before the plant, Arthur worked as a mechanic for George Allen of Pennsboro, WV and Robinson Motors of Harrisville, WV. Following retirement, Arthur constructed 1 stick-built home and 3 log cabin homes for his family to enjoy. He was also a very skilled welder and Arthur could simply construct anything with his talents.

He was a member of Pennsboro Order of Eastern Star #26, Harmony Lodge #59 AF&AM where he was 32-degree master mason, O'dell S. Long Chapter #25, and Knights Templar #20 of Pennsboro, WV. In his younger days, Arthur grew up farming with his family and you could find him on a dirt track racing. He was a graduate of Pennsboro High School with the class of 1959 and he was an avid hunter and deep-sea fisherman.

He is survived by his loving wife of 43 years, Betty (Dawson) Riggs; sons, Earl Hale Riggs, Sr. (Elizabeth) of Vicksburg, MS; Philip John Riggs (Anna) of Pennsboro, WV; Henry Sebastian Riggs (Jodie) of Louisburg, NC; daughter, Sally Delvera Williams (Bud) of Lumberport, WV; 8 grandchildren, and 13 great grandchildren; brothers, Arden Riggs (Marcia) of Hickory, NC and Duane Riggs of Pennsboro, WV; sister, Regina Riggs Brannon (Eric) of Spencer, WV, along with many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Michael Moler and brothers, Geral and Clifford Riggs.

In accordance with Arthur's wishes, he will be cremated. McCullough Rogers Funeral Home of Pennsboro, WV is assisting the family with the arrangements. He will be laid to rest in the Mt. Pisgah Cemetery near Harrisville, WV at the convenience of the family. Online condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.mcculloughraiguel.com](http://www.mcculloughraiguel.com)

## LORA DENISE MITCHELL

Lora Denise Mitchell, 67, of Harrisville died June 11, 2023 in Harrisville as a result of a motorcycle accident.

Denise was born at Camp Lejeune, NC, the daughter of the late Raymond Keith and Judy Lora Lockhart Hall.

She was an LPN for over 40 years and retired from Dr. Eric Lowden's office in Parkersburg, WV. Denise was an active and long time member of Riddle's Chapel Church in Harrisville. She enjoyed motorcycle riding, antiques, flower gardening and spending time with her family. She was a member of Christian Motorcycle Association.

Denise is survived by her loving husband, Thomas William Mitchell; daughters, Tammy Fullerton (Shawn) of Parkersburg, and Stacey Anne McGrew of Parkersburg; step-son, Michael Thomas Mitchell (Holly) of Parkersburg; sister, Elizabeth Ann Roberts (Gene) of Freeport, WV; brother, Brian Keith Hall of Munday; step-sister, Melissa Neesmith; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 5pm, Sunday, August 6, 2023 at Riddles Chapel, Harrisville, WV with Pastors Dan Martin and Gregg Martin officiating. Visitation will take place prior, from 2:30-5:00pm at the church. Raiguel Funeral Home, in Harrisville, WV is assisting the family with the arrangements.

## TERRY L. ELLYSON

Terry L. Ellyson, 68, of Glenville, West Virginia departed this earthly life in the early morning hours of Saturday, July 22, 2023 at his residence following a brief illness.

He was born in Weston, WV, son of late Ralph C. and Boneva "Bea" (Davis) Ellyson.

Terry is a graduate of Lewis County High School Class of 1973. He attended Glenville State College and was a 1977 graduate of Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science. He is President of Ellyson Mortuary Inc. in Glenville and has served his community for 45 years. He was a Christian by

Car Club where he enjoyed showing his custom PT Cruiser. Terry was artistic in nature with everything he did, whether it was creating flower arrangements, working with his flower garden, or working in the funeral industry; everyone always looked forward to seeing his annual Christmas display. Terry always had a knack for seeing things that no one else could. He enjoyed being creative with everything he did.

On August 23, 1975 (after 5 years of dating) Terry married his high school sweetheart, Denise (Romel) Ellyson, who survives at their home in Glenville.

Surviving is his son, Terry Lee Ellyson II and his wife, Ryoko Wakasa of Glenville, two grandchildren who he adored and was so proud of, Allie Mitsu Ellyson and Jaxon Ty Ellyson both of Glenville, a brother, Gary R. Ellyson and wife, Sandy of Pineville, WV, and two nephews Joey Ellyson of Weston, and Scott Ellyson of Denver, Colorado.

He is also survived by numerous other family members and many cherished friends.

Along with his parents Terry is preceded in death by his niece who he considered a daughter, Julie Renee (Ellyson) Chapman, and a brother Edwin P. Ellyson.

In accordance with his wishes Terry will be laid to rest privately beside his mother in the Stalnaker Cemetery in Glenville, WV.

In lieu of flowers the Ellyson family requests memorial contributions be made to the Gilmer County Volunteer Fire Department, Box 255, Glenville, WV 26351 in honor of Terry.

The Ellyson family wishes to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the community at large for their expressions of sympathy during the loss of our patriarch. We at Ellyson Mortuary will continue the tradition set forth by Terry to serve our community with honor, compassion and attention to detail.

## HOMER HAROLD "JUNIOR" HENSLEY, JR

Homer Harold "Junior" Hensley, Jr., 54, of Spencer, died Saturday, July 22, 2023, at WVU Medicine Ruby Memorial Hospital, Morgantown.

He was born at Ripley, the son of the Rev. Homer Harold and Margaret Elizabeth Hicks Hensley, Sr. of Spencer.

In addition to his parents, survivors include his wife, Margaret "Margee" Webb Hensley, whom he married March 5, 1988; daughter and son-in-law, Kendra and Joshua Ferrell of Amma; son and daughter-in-law, Russell and Angela Hensley of Duck; brother and sister-in-law, Bryan and Diane Hensley of Spencer; grandchildren, Katelynn, Adalynn and Lincoln; a dear uncle and aunt, John and Christie Hicks of Spencer; mother-in-law, Mildred Rogers of Spencer; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Devon and Nikki Rogers of Elkins; many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Junior was preceded in death by a sister, Elizabeth Ann Lane; paternal grandparents, Russell and Maude Hensley; maternal grandparents, Bryan and Alice Hicks.

He was a Christian. Junior and his family formerly attended the Mud Fork Church, Stinson. He was a former employee of Keaton Logging and Waldron Lumber Production, Jackson, Ohio. Also, he was a former member and firefighter of the Newton Volunteer Fire Department, Newton. His pastimes included hunting, fishing and spending time with grandchildren.

A funeral service was held on July 27 at Faith Baptist Church, Spencer, with Pastor Chris Stout and Pastor Justin Simmons officiating.

Donation can be made to John H. Taylor Funeral Home, P.O. Box 41, Spencer, WV 25276. Condolences may be shared at [www.taylorfuneralhomeinc.com](http://www.taylorfuneralhomeinc.com)

## MARVIN (CHIP) NUTTER

Marvin (Chip) Nutter passed away July 21, 2023 at Akron General Cleveland Clinic He was surrounded by his wife of 37 years Kim Nutter and his loving family. Chip was born in Parkersburg, West Virginia and was an avid fan of the WVU Mountaineers and the Cleveland Browns. He proudly worked for Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority as a maintenance supervisor.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Garland and Alta Stump and paternal grandmother, Florence Sheets; uncles Roxel Stump, Ardene Gherke, Gene Boggs, Jimmy Nutter and Mike Stump; aunts Emojene Boggs and Marjorie Gherke; beloved mother Susan Nutter; and father Dwayne Nutter.

He is survived by his wife, Kimberly; sisters, Lisa (Rick) Nicholas, Chris (Carl) Ballengee; children, Erica Nutter, Joshua Duncan, Tyler (Amanda) Duncan, Kayla (Greg) Nutter and Jared Nutter; grandchildren, Jordan, Jocelyn, and Trey Heiney, Zachary Duncan, Emma Ott, Olivia Dawson and Zofia Duncan; aunts, Maggie Stump, Barb Stump, and Shirley Nutter and many beloved cousins, nieces and nephews and very special friends Jody Jenkins, Connie Westfall and Emerson George Kelly.

A Memorial service was held on July 27th, Pastor Tina Nees officiating.



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## This Week In Calhoun History

The following reports are taken from the Calhoun Chronicle Archives.

**1923, 100 YEARS: Local Happenings:** Walter Scott, of Mt. Zion, was a pleasant business caller in Grantsville Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Gainer, of Joker, were shopping in Grantsville Tuesday.

Aldine Poling, a prosperous farmer and business man of Russett was here on business Saturday.

J.M. Hickman, of White Pine, was a business caller in Grantsville a few hours Saturday.

Art Shock, a prosperous farmer of Staten, was attending to business affairs in Grantsville Saturday.

The local Masonic Order will hold a meeting on Saturday night July 28th for the purpose of giving the first and third degrees.

Rev. Dell Burns and family are visiting relatives and friends in this county this week. Mr. Burns is stationed at Clarksburg where he has charge of a Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lewis, of Parkersburg are visiting the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson of Sycamore, this week and while enroute there they were pleasant callers in Grantsville.

**Brooksville News:** Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Cain July 20th, a fine big baby girl.

Mrs. Gay Stalnaker and children of Grantsville spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Rome Bower.

Miss Mattie Blackshire was the guest of Mrs. Harry Rader Sunday.

Mrs. Pheobie Shanks, of Big Root, is here visiting her son C. L. Shanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mathess and children and Miss Ina Freed all of Freed were here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Willie Rogers Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Charlie Thomas and children, of Lemuels Run, were visiting Mrs. T. C. Cain Sunday.

Miss Ona Hosey of Big Root, is staying at the home of Carl Bowers.

Josephine and Grealey Bower are confined to their beds with measles.

Mrs. Barrett Crowley, Mrs. Millie Knight and children Harold, Lucile and Minnie, of Lemuels Run, spent Monday visiting Mrs. J. P. Knight.

**Hartely and Freed News:** Berry picking is the order of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Busch, and children of Brooksville visited Mr. and Mrs. Jas. B. Snider, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wilson and two children of Greenwood are visiting the former's father Spencer Wilson near Hartley for several days.

Mr. Sam Lynch, of Pierpoint is visiting his daughter Mrs. Roy Pepper for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Vunderwood and family attended the Thorn reunion at Palestine Sunday.

**1948, 75 YEARS: Barnes Run News:**

Miss Elah and Wanda Lee Starcher have returned to their home here after spending the past week in Charleston visiting with the former's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Helma Slider.

Mrs. Belle Kerby was shopping and greeting friends in Grantsville, recently.

Homer and Ernest Husk spent the past week end in Parkersburg.

Eugene Reynolds and Jimmy Kenney spent Thursday and Friday in Morgantown.

Mrs. T. H. Slider has returned home here after spending the past two weeks in Charleston the guest of her son and daughter Helma Slider and Wiltha Becker.

Mr. and Mrs. Vergil Slider and son were calling on the latter's parents Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Maze of Annamoriah.

Mr. and Mrs. Orde Starcher and daughter Wanda Lee, were calling on their daughter Mrs. Murleen Coon, Sunday. Beverly, Murleen's daughter is sick at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Anderson have moved from Ohio, to the John I. McCoy place here.

Mrs. Lizzie Reynolds and son Eugene were shopping in Parkersburg, Monday.

Glen McCoy and Ernest Kerby were calling on A. Hardman recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Dobbins were shopping in Grantsville on day last week.

Mrs. Ray Roach and daughter were calling on Leona Sturm one day last week.

Miss Lula Kerby has been visiting relatives in Charleston the past week.

Ernest, Cora and Kathleen Husk were shopping in Grantsville one day last week.

W. H. Slider was calling on Howard Miller Saturday night and Sunday.

Folks of the Hur community have purchased a new lawn mower for the Hur cemetery. Ross Starcher and daughter Hazel have been keeping the cemetery mowed and cleaned which we are very proud of.

**REGULAR MEETING HELD BY ORMA FARM WOMEN:**

Orma Farm Woman's club met at the home of Mrs. Chloe Alfred, July 21, for their monthly meeting. A very interesting lesson was taught by Eleanore Brannon. Refreshments were served at 4:15 pm to the following: Mrs. Minnie Keith, Mae Starcher, Eleanore Brannon, Cora Alfred and daughter, Carolyn Ann and the hostess Chloe Alfred. The Farm Women and the 4-H boys and girls of Orma will meet at Log Cabin Park the 18 of August for a picnic.

Refreshments will be served at the noon hour and the afternoon will be spent in singing and playing games. The September meeting will be held at the home of Mae Starcher.

**1973, 50 YEARS**

**Milo News:** Attendance in Sunday school for July 29 was 27.

Mrs. Carolyn Howell and daughters and Sharon Butler from Wooster, Ohio, were weekend guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Donzel Butler and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther McGeorge of Chloe attended Sunday school at Milo Sunday morning and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hunt from Charleston were visiting the Baileys this week.

Carl Jett and daughter, Wanda Bailey, hauled a load of corn for Cal Jarvis from Ohio this week and visited Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Jett and family in Doylestown, Ohio while there.

Visitors of Mrs. Delpha Davisson and Oscar Miller recently were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Davisson and family from Orrville, Ohio, Ezra Miller from Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Ottis Miller and children from White Oak, Mr. and Mrs. Paris Parsons, Mrs. Susie Hardway and daughter, Okey Miller, Bill Deweese, Mrs. Emily Deweese and Mrs. Goldie Lowers.

Mrs. Jack Webb and children, Tommy and Sherry and Stephanie Stalnaker of Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Bailey were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Starcher of Minnora.

**Russett and Staten News:**

Velma Huffman and Dell Riggs of Enon were visiting their brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Riggs of Hur, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore and girls of Enon are spending their vacation at Elyria, Ohio, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jom Wallace.

Those visiting Mrs. Jane Poling of Russett were Maude White, Ethel Weaver, Herbert Morrell, Rick Boatright, Mrs. Charley Hupp, Mrs. Vista Gainer, Mrs. Gary Vannoy, Christie Levering, and Corel Poling.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Huffman of Phillips Run are spending this week in Eat Liverpool, Ohio, guests of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Huffman.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Fowler were Friday guests of Mrs. Ina Fox and Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Fowler and children, Diana and Kenneth, of Parkersburg.

**Orma News:**

Mr. and Mrs. John Arnold returned home Saturday after spending two weeks visiting in Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wears and Edwin Butler of Ohio and Mr. and Mrs. John McNeamer of Parkersburg were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vistor Butler.

Mrs. Nannie Lamb of Gualley Bridge and her children have been spending some time at their home place on Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dulaney and granddaughter of Naples, Florida, have been visiting the Richard Alfred, Graves Conley and Thomas Butler



The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history.

**Aug. 3, 1897:** Fire destroyed much of downtown Lewisburg. The town rebuilt and evolved in the next century into the hub of one of the state's major farming areas and a center for education and the arts.



**Aug. 3, 1907:** Harley Orrin Staggers Sr. was born in Keyser. Staggers served in the U.S. House of Representatives for 32 years.



**Aug. 4, 1824:** John Jay Jackson Jr. was born near Parkersburg. Jackson was a prominent judge who became notorious among those trying to organize labor unions in West Virginia. He blocked an effort by Mother Jones and United Mine Workers leaders to organize the miners of northern West Virginia.



**Aug. 4, 1897:** Musician William Jennings "Billy" Cox was born near Charleston. Cox, known as the "Dixie Songbird," ranked as one of West Virginia's premier country music vocalists and songwriters during the 1930s.



**Aug. 5, 1958:** Jennings Randolph defeated former governor William Marland in the Democratic primary for U.S. Senate. Randolph soon became the senior senator from West Virginia and served for 26 years.

**Aug. 7, 1864:** In what became known as the Battle of Moorefield, Union troops under Gen. William W. Averell attacked the headquarters of Gen. Bradley Johnson. The Confederates were routed and fled south into the town; the Union captured 500 men and 400 horses.

**Aug. 7, 1877:** West Virginia voters chose Charleston as the state capital over Clarksburg and Martinsburg.

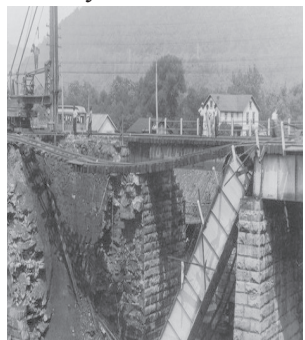
## This Week In West Virginia History

**Aug. 7, 1893:** Parsons became the county seat of Tucker County. Parsons was named for Ward Parsons, a prominent resident and the largest landholder.

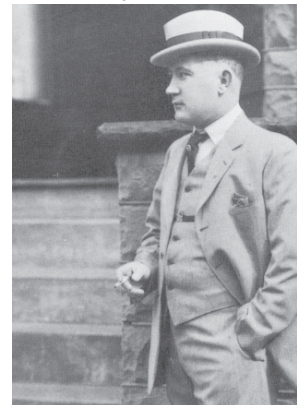
**Aug. 8, 1915:** Businessman Alex Schoenbaum was born in Richmond, Va. After settling in Charleston in 1943, he went into the restaurant business. His restaurants were named Shoney's when Schoenbaum's nickname was selected in an employee contest.



**Aug. 9, 1916:** A storm front from the northwest dumped nearly six inches of rain in less than five hours on the headwaters of Cabin Creek in eastern Kanawha County; 71 people died, and 900 homes were destroyed in the flood.



**Aug. 9, 1954:** Don Chafin died in Huntington. As sheriff of Logan County, Chafin was a bitter foe of union organizers and, with financial support from coal companies, used his many deputies to keep labor organizers out of the county.



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## Solutions Create Pollution

By Linda Crawford

The Chronicle pictures of the tire clean up makes it clear how hard and dirty and wet cleaning up the water can be. Salvage Companies operated during WWII not to clean up the water but due to the shortage of metal.

A bit of praise here: they also used their skills to aid the Allies by clearing or clocking, as needed, any harbors involved.

Even now with the war in Ukraine, air,

water is being polluted. Capturing and removing Ukrainian weapons systems is not to reduce pollution but for reverse engineering - learning how those systems can be duplicated. War is a highly visible form of pollution.

"Water pollution" could not have been a part of my vocabulary in 1950 or '51. My first memory associated with water pollution was one of terror then thrill.

The terror was the

water - to a speed boat. The pilot scooped me up and carried me. The thrill came while seated with my family.

My little arm curled just over the side enough to play in the water spray. Sas was working for Dupont and taking water samples in the Sabine River between Texas and Louisiana. When we moved back to West Virginia Dad worked for the State Water Commission. Pollution continued to be



## Middle School Football Team preparing for the upcoming season



## 2023 Calhoun County Middle/High School Senior Football Schedule

August 11: 6:00 p.m., Away, Braxton-Scrimage  
 August 18: 6:00 p.m., Away, Clay-Scrimage  
 August 25: 7:00 p.m., Away, Gilmer County  
 Sept 1: 7:00 p.m. Home, Valley (Wetzel)  
 Sept 8: 7:00 p.m., Away, Tyler Consolidated  
 Sept. 15: 7:00 p.m., Away, Wahama Senior/Middle School  
 Sept. 18: 5:30 p.m., Home, Wahama-JV  
 Sept. 22: 7:00 p.m., Away, ST. Marys  
 Sept. 25: 6:00 p.m., Home, St. Marys-JV  
 Sept., 29: 7:00 p.m., Away, Trinity Christian  
 Oct. 6: 7:00 p.m., Home, Williamstown-Breat Cancer Awareness  
 Oct. 13: 7:00 p.m., Home, Wirt-Homecoming  
 Oct. 20: 7:00 p.m., South Harrison-Military Appreciation  
 Oct. 27: 7:00 p.m., Home, Webster-Senior Night  
 Oct. 30: 6:30 p.m., Home, Clay-JV

## 2023 Calhoun County Middle School Football Summer Conditioning and Flex Dates

Calhoun County Middle School Football Summer conditioning and flex schedule below.

Flex Practices  
 August 3rd - 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
 First day of practice is August 7th

## 2023 Calhoun Youth Football Schedule

### Games:

Sun., August 6th - Grid @ Home - 11 a.m.  
 Sun., August 13th - Doddridge County @ Home - 1p.m.  
 Sat., August 19th - @ Braxton County - 12:00 p.m.  
 Sun., August 27th - @ Gilmer County - 1:00 p.m.  
 Sun., September 10th - Ravenswood @ Home - 1:00 p.m.  
 Sun., September 17th - @Clay County - 1:00 p.m.  
 Sun., September 24th - Elk River @ Home - 1:00 p.m.  
 Sat., September 30th - @ Roane County - 1:00 p.m.  
 Sun., October 8th - Webster County @ Home - 1:00 p.m.  
 (all start times are C Teams games with B and A Teams following)

### Playoffs

1st Round  
 - Sat., Oct. 14th @ Ravenswood (1 and 3 seeds for South Division)  
 - Sun., Oct. 15th @ Williamstown (2 and 4 seeds for South Division)  
 2nd Round  
 - Sat., Oct. 21st @ St. Marys (winners from Oct. 15th games)  
 - Sun., Oct. 22nd @ Braxton County (winners from Oct. 14th games)

Championship - Sat., Oct. 28th @ Roane County  
 Cheer Competition - Sun., Oct. 29th @ Ritchie County  
 AllStar Game - Sat., Nov. 4th @ Doddridge County

## The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) recognized Calhoun Alumni Clyde Downs as National Football Record Holder

*Submitted by Robert Bonar*

At its summer meeting in July, the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) recognized Calhoun County High School alum Clyde Downs as a national football record holder.

The NFHS honored Downs for an incredible achievement that came in a home game against the Spencer Yellowjackets on October 9, 1937. That afternoon, Downs blocked eight Yellowjacket punts, helping Calhoun to a 12-0 victory.

Calhoun County's football field was a muddy mess that Saturday afternoon in 1937, which accounts for the low score and the multitude of punt attempts on both sides. Leon Nitz, star tackle, was absent from the game, which greatly handicapped Calhoun County against the much heavier Yellowjackets, Harold Stump scored both of Calhoun's touchdowns to lead the team to victory, but Downs was clearly the star of the game.

The Parkersburg News reported that "Clyde Downs, ace Calhoun terminal, was a constant menace to the Yellow Jackets, being directly responsible or eight blocked punts." The following week's Roane County Reporter corroborated the Parkersburg News' account of Downs' exploits.

The eight blocked punts tied a record set by Jacob Finer of Utica (NY) Free Academy in a game in 1926. Finer's feat has been recognized as a national record for some time, but Downs' accomplishment only came to light after a local researcher submitted the 1937 Parkersburg News and Roane County Reporter articles to the WVSSAC, who in turn presented them to the NFHS's records committee.

Downs' feat is one of only three national records held by West Virginia high school players. Ken McIntire of Parkersburg South collected 3 fumble recoveries for touchdowns in a 1971 game, and Nitro's 1998 team completed 425 passes during the season.

Clyde Downs grew up in Arnoldsburg and graduated from Calhoun County High School in 1938. He played four years of varsity football for CCHS, and originally considered playing for WVU in 1939. He ended up at Morris Harvey College (now the University of Charleston) instead, and was named the Golden Eagles' freshman football player of the year in 1940. After college, Downs worked for the Cabot Corporation, and later retired from Cabot's Pineville location.

## DHHR Reminds Parents of West Virginia Immunization Requirements for Back-to-School

CHARLESTON, W.Va.—The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) reminds parents of West Virginia students of the importance of remaining up to date with vaccinations as the back-to-school season approaches. Children who are current with their vaccinations will automatically meet school immunization requirements.

All children entering school in West Virginia for the first time in grades K-12 must show proof of immunization against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, measles, mumps, rubella,

varicella, and hepatitis B unless properly medically exempted. All children entering school in West Virginia in grades 7 and 12 must show proof of immunization against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, and meningococcal disease unless properly medically exempted.

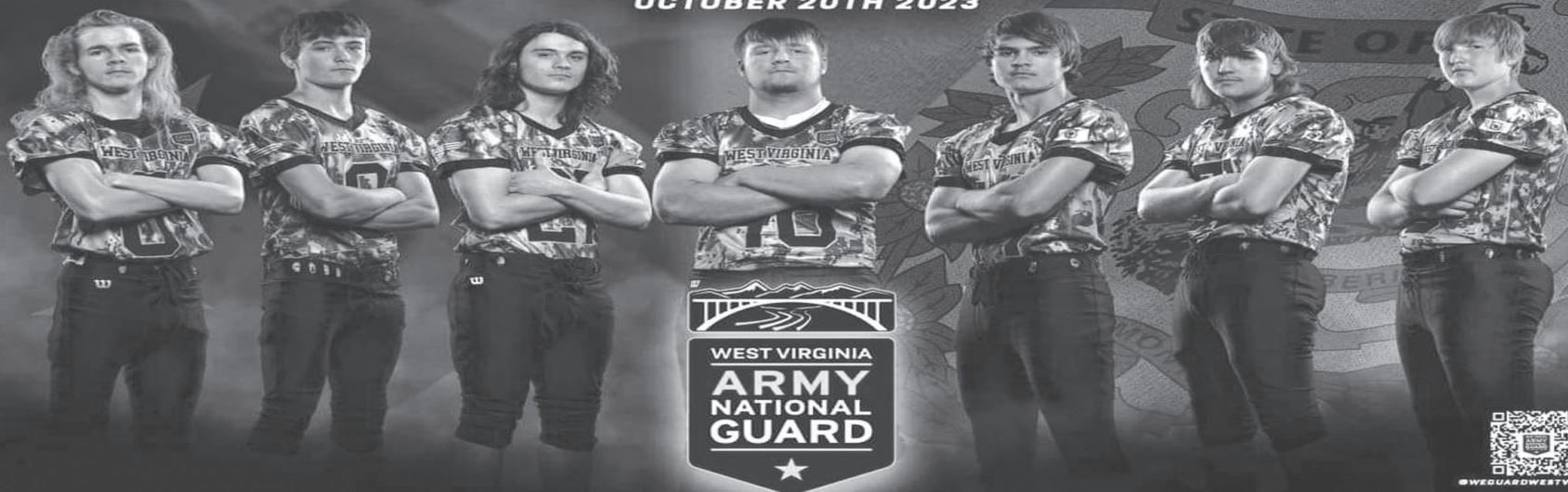
"As families, students, educators, and county school systems prepare for the upcoming school year, it is important to receive vaccinations in a timely manner to help prevent potentially fatal or severe illnesses, including diphtheria, measles, mumps, rubella, polio, tetanus, whooping cough (pertussis)

and others," said Dr. Matthew Christiansen, Commissioner for DHHR's Bureau for Public Health and State Health Officer. "Parents are encouraged to discuss their child's vaccination status with their primary care provider or local health department."

For more information on West Virginia vaccine requirements, please visit [www.wv.gov/immunizations/Pages/immunization\\_Requirements.aspx](https://www.wv.gov/immunizations/Pages/immunization_Requirements.aspx).

To view and apply for careers in the public health field, visit [dhhr.wv.gov/Pages/Career-Opportunities.aspx](https://www.wv.gov/Pages/Career-Opportunities.aspx).

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## GSU Invites Community to Help Welcome Incoming Students

GLENVILLE, WV – As Glenville State University (GSU) prepares to welcome new students to campus for the 2023-2024 academic year, the students will be participating in a week-long orientation to help them become acquainted with the school and the community before classes begin on Monday, August 14.

To help the new students learn about the Glenville community including local businesses, churches, and other groups that

might interest them, GSU is hosting a Community and Campus Organization Fair.

The event will take place on Friday, August 11 beginning at 10:00 a.m. on GSU's Clark Hall Lawn on main campus. Representatives from community businesses, churches, and organizations are invited to set up displays to introduce themselves to the new students through the use of coupons, gift certificates, free samples, and information. The annual

event is an opportunity to show new GSU Pioneers what the community has to offer them. Incoming students will also learn more about the campus student organizations that are available to them, as these groups will be on hand at the event as well.

For more information or to reserve your spot, please contact GSU Director of Student Life Conner Ferguson at [Conner.Ferguson@glenville.edu](mailto:Conner.Ferguson@glenville.edu) or by calling (304) 462-6416.

## Enhanced in-state toxicology services available at Marshall Health

Contact: Michele McKnight, Marshall Health/Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine, 304-691-1713

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. – Marshall Health and Mountain Health Network have realigned their toxicology services to best meet the needs of health care providers and employers.

The drug testing, compliance monitoring, specimen collection and provider consultations previously provided by Mountain Health Clinical Solutions has been rebranded as Marshall Toxicology as a platform for more timely and comprehensive toxicological analyses.

“Under the Marshall Health umbrella, our longtime commitment to driving accurate results is enhanced, giving us the opportunity to expand our testing platforms and to pursue additional training for both medical and graduate students at Marshall University,”

said Marshall Health Pathologist Krista Denning, M.D., professor and chair of the department of pathology at the Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine and medical director of Marshall Toxicology.

Marshall Toxicology now offers urine testing for more than 80 different pharmaceuticals and drugs of abuse. These tests help physicians identify patients at risk of substance misuse and facilitate referral to treatment services. Likewise, employers across the region rely on these services to support a drug-free workplace and effective return-to-work programs. Testing is conducted in state, generating an average turnaround time of two to three days.

Marshall Toxicology, located at 2561 3rd

Ave. in Huntington, is accredited by the College of American Pathologists. For more information or to schedule a consultation, visit [www.marshallhealth.org/toxicology](http://www.marshallhealth.org/toxicology) or call Marshall Toxicology at 304-781-4445.

About Marshall Health: Marshall Health is the clinical enterprise of Marshall University and its Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. Marshall Health brings together leading clinicians and researchers to provide world-class care throughout southern West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky. With more than 420 providers in 75 areas of primary and specialty care, Marshall Health's impact extends to more than 40 outpatient clinics across the region. To learn more, visit [marshallhealth.org](http://marshallhealth.org).

## Fairmont State University now offering fully online Spanish courses

Contact: Keely Stiles, Fairmont State University, Digital Content Specialist, Office: 304-367-4891, E-mail: [kstiles@fairmontstate.edu](mailto:kstiles@fairmontstate.edu)

Beginning this fall, Fairmont State University will offer Spanish courses fully online for students who wish to pursue a major or minor in the foreign language.

“There is a need both locally and throughout the state for increased access to high quality Spanish language education and online courses,” Laura Guglani, Assistant Professor of Spanish and Spanish Education, said. “At the same time, there is a strong demand for well-qualified bilingual employees that is not being met.”

Guglani teaches all 3000-level and 4000-level Spanish courses at Fairmont State, and coordinates the Spanish program at all levels, beginner through advanced. She hopes that the newly-offered online format

will attract both in-state and out-of-state students as well as those who need some flexibility.

“This program can benefit students who are seeking online learning options to accommodate their work or family schedules, transportation needs or geographical location,” said Guglani.

Students who wish to acquire Spanish language skills or become bilingual can enroll in individual courses or earn credits toward a Spanish major or minor, as well as toward the University's Spanish Education major. All courses are offered synchronously via WebEx. While there is no study abroad requirement, there are a number of options still offered for those students who are interested.

According to Guglani, earning a degree in Spanish can complement a

range of career fields from education and business to tourism and government.

“Spanish is the second most spoken language in the United States,” she said. “Studying Spanish opens countless new opportunities to explore the world, to experience new cultures and to meet new people.”

The fully-online Spanish program will begin during the Fall 2023 semester, and student applications are still being accepted. For more information, email Guglani at [Laura.Guglani@fairmontstate.edu](mailto:Laura.Guglani@fairmontstate.edu) or visit [www.fairmontstate.edu/academics/programs/spanish.aspx](http://www.fairmontstate.edu/academics/programs/spanish.aspx). To apply to Fairmont State University, visit [www.fairmontstate.edu/apply.aspx](http://www.fairmontstate.edu/apply.aspx).

The application deadline for Fall 2023 is August 11.

## Glenville State University offering free Cybersecurity Training with Appalachian Regional Commission

Contact: Quentin Murphy, Glenville State University, Public Relations Department, (304) 462-4115

GLENVILLE, WV – Glenville State University will be offering free cybersecurity training as part of a joint effort between Glenville State University, and the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) in the form of a POWER grant addressing Cybersecurity and Safety Workforce Development Initiative.

The Initiative aims to create a more vibrant economic future for the coal-impacted North Central region of West Virginia. This opportunity is open to anyone; adults wanting to upgrade their skills for better employment, high school seniors, and college students.

Job demand for employees with cybersecurity skills, in West Virginia and the United States, has seen a swift climb in recent years. This trend is expected to continue for many years to come.

The time is now to get certifications in cybersecurity. “Our grant with ARC allows for the development of these free boot camps and will provide each participant with all the training materials, study guides, and exams at no cost to the participant. Counties in West Virginia, which are defined by the State of West Virginia as depressed or at-risk counties, have a

unique opportunity to receive training and eventual certification in cybersecurity-related fields. We are making strong efforts to bring the training to the people in these counties,” said Peggy Runyon, Project Director for the Cybersecurity and Safety Workforce Development Initiative. “This training would cost an individual several thousand dollars, if they had to pay for it out of pocket. I sincerely encourage individuals to take advantage of this exclusive opportunity.”

Currently, a class for CompTIA Network+ is scheduled to be held for 3 days at the Academy of Careers and Technology, 390 Stanaford Road., Beckley, WV, on July 29-30-31, 2023, from 9am-5pm daily. The course will be instructed by Mark Wray.

The course is for those who want to design and implement functional networks; configure and manage essential network devices; create resilient networks; and implement network security, standards, and

protocols.

No prerequisites are required. This is a free class for participants. Seating is limited.

For more information about the course, contact Ms. Runyon by email at [Peggy.Runyon@glenville.edu](mailto:Peggy.Runyon@glenville.edu) or by phone at (304) 462-6383.

This project was developed collaboratively with many diverse stakeholders and made possible by the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) POWER Initiative Grant.

To learn more about ARC's POWER Initiative, visit <https://www.arc.gov/arcs-power-initiative/>.

A total of \$1,402,408 in local and federal funding is being provided for the project, 80% of which, (\$1,120,995) comes from the Appalachian Regional Commission while 20% (\$281,413) comes from the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation and Glenville State University.

## Local Writer Joins Board of WV Writers Organization



Stumptown, WV - Established in 1977, West Virginia Writers, Inc. is the largest all-volunteer, writers' resource and service organization serving literary interests in West Virginia. Founded on the fundamental principle that the written word is one of the most distinguishing characteristics of all human endeavors, the group's aim is to expand and develop creative writing and professional opportunities for writers and to connect the state's writers with others in the literary community and the public at large.

On July 1, 2023, local writer and artist, Lisa Hayes-Minney joined the board of WV Writers, Inc. as 2nd Vice-President. In this position, she supports and coordinates the regional representatives of the organization and helps the organization's president and 1st Vice-President. Minney has served as the representative for Region 1 (Clay, Gilmer, Braxton, Roane, Calhoun), for the past six years, and has been a member of the organization off and on for the last 25 years.

“I am honored and thrilled to join the board

of WV Writers,” Minney said. “The organization respects diversity, embraces inclusion, and works to encourage and empower writers of all ages, levels, and walks of life. It is a wonderful group of people linked by a love for writing, and I welcome anyone interested in writing to join.”

Minney is an award-winning writer involved in the local writing community for three decades. She has been recognized with multiple awards from the WV Press Association and WV Writers, Inc. She has an MFA in Creative Writing from WV Wesleyan College, a BA in Written English and a minor in Journalism from Glenville State University, and an associate degree in liberal arts from Washington State Community College in Marietta, Ohio.

Lisa was a recipient of the Linda Culp Memorial Scholarship Women's Opportunity Fund from the Parkersburg Area Community Foundation, and volunteers for that organization now as well. In the past, her community service has also included commitments to

AmeriCorps, Mid-Ohio Valley Edibles, Rush Run CEOS, and the National Weather Service. Minney is currently a member of WV Writers, Inc., the Nonfiction Author's Association, and the Appalachian Writers Association.

Minney was a member of the Calhoun-Gilmer Writer's Group, led the Friendly Fonts Writer's Group, presented the first Literary Fair in Gilmer County, and helped launch the Little Kanawha Reading Series. Her publication, Two-Lane Livin' Magazine, presented and celebrated a community of columnists for a decade. Her work has been published in Wonderful West Virginia, GreenPrints Magazine, Goldenseal Magazine, Memoir Magazine, Entropy Magazine, and other periodicals. She was a regular columnist for The Hur Herald, The Calhoun Chronicle, and Two-Lane Livin'.

Lisa's nonfiction essays have been selected for two anthologies, “Mountains Upon Mountains: New Appalachian Nature Writing” from West Virginia University Press and “Feminine Rising: Voices of Power & Invisibility” from Cynren Press. Minney's books, “Life in the Slow Lane,” and “Essays of Empathy,” as well as her artwork, are available for purchase at [twolanestudio.com](http://twolanestudio.com). Her written work currently appears online at [twolanelivin.com](http://twolanelivin.com) and in print in The Trader's Guide.

More information about WV Writers, Inc., membership options, annual conferences, and writing contests are available at [wvwriters.org](http://wvwriters.org). More information about Lisa Minney is available at [Lhayesminney.info](http://Lhayesminney.info).

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## The Third week of Calhoun County Summer Boost ended on July 21st

The Third week of Calhoun County Summer Boost ended on July 21, 2023, with a visit from the current WVU Mountaineer. Students enjoyed hearing him speak about his journey to one of the best jobs in West Virginia. The highlight of our week was when our Mountaineer Mike Hager took students outside for the firing of the musket. We are all looking forward to seeing him this fall on our televisions and/or in person firing that musket and firing up our WVU Mountaineers. Imagine the excitement when children say, "Hey, I know that guy; he came to my school."

One of the foundational pieces of our Summer Boost program is making connections and building relationships while boosting students' academic skill sets. Mrs. Sims and Mrs. Bailey work with student providing a fund environment to learn and practice math skills. During the third week of Summer Boost, the theme in math was making connections. Using hands on games each teacher worked with students to see and produce patterns and to work with connecting and combining numbers. Who knew that the game of Dominoes could be such a fun learning experience? One answer is, "Andrea Bailey."



During Summer Boost students have reading concept classes based on their grade-level skill sets. Mrs. Bush works with Emergent Readers to building their sight word recognition and their skills to recognize letters and sounds to decode words. Hands-on learning is a successful practice which Mrs. Bush used to have students design figures out of modeling clay and later in the week to use these clay figures to practice sight words and write simple sentences by writing the story of their modeling clay figures.

The dynamic duo of GIRP (Guided Independent Reading Practice), Laura Webb and Carissa Yoak, worked with independent readers helping them to choose books on their interests and reading levels, followed by book talks, and then AR (Accelerated Reader) tests. The quality of the book talks helps students to remember details and to analyze the craft of writing.

Many educational studies provide results stating that there are connections between participation in music, art, and physical education and stronger academic performances. During week 3 of Summer Boost, Mr. Josh Brennon worked with student to discover the possibility of every day things as musical instruments. Metal spoons that many of us have in our kitchens were turned in percussion instruments creating joy in the hands of users. Mr. Brennon used technology as a tool along with plastic tubes to help students reproduce and hear the tones of the basic musical scale. Students delighted in production of sound.

Mr. Scott Golinsky provided instruction in healthy life styles and wellness concepts. Physical activity is essential to healthy brain activity. Golinsky provides opportunities for students to play and to learn games and activities that they can enjoy for years to come to enhance their physical movement. Additionally, Golinsky provides information on nutrition and the importance of a healthy diet.

Our Summer Boost is blessed with two amazing cooks, Tina Dawson and Jessica Summers, who work daily to provide healthy and nutritious breakfasts and lunches to all students. In addition to the terrific lunches, students have access to both a fruit and a salad bar to add fresh choices and a variety of options.

We have been blessed with awesome bus drivers and summer custodians who work daily to provide safe and clean environments for our students. At Calhoun County Schools our focus is on serving children and families. The school system works diligently to provide educational and structural support to our children. One of our best practices has been the establishment of a Student Services Department that includes guidance counselors, Communities in Schools staff, emotional support staff, and community partners who work to ensure that our students' needs are identified and met. During Summer Boost, these valuable resources are available for students and families.



## STUDENTS VISITS COLUMBUS ZOO

Calhoun County Students visited Columbus Zoo, July 11th. The self-guided activities allowed students to explore science concepts and the students witnessed training-in-action with some of the zoo's most incredible animal ambassadors. The Columbus Zoo had many interesting animals and our campers explored several exciting exhibits.



# 1982 Foundation Weekly Update

By Crystal Mersh

Weekly update  
The big news this week is that we finally closed on our tax credits. This will allow for approximately 45% of the project to be paid from with Historic Tax Credits and New Market Tax Credits. There was a ton of work by the team to get this task complete and what seemed to be hundreds of signatures. With this complete, we are now ready to start construction and get moving on the main buildings. On Monday, we will meet with the construction management team regarding accelerating the schedule to make the most of good weather.

Mr. Shamblin did the pour of the shallow end of the pool. One more pour to go on Tuesday of the zero entry. Then we are on to the laying of block around the sides.

Next week the pump house construction will begin with Chester Boggs and team. They are under a very tight timeline in order to keep everything on track.

Hardway and team have been working to complete trim and the siding on the old rest rooms which made a big

difference. Jeremy also got roped into picking up the pizza oven pictured below in Ohio. We got a great deal on the oven. People love hearing our plans and are generally very generous in making us a good deal and wishing us all the best.

We have done some engineering on the pool fence design and next week Hardway and crew will do a prototype to confirm our plans. We hope we can do a vertical cable and treated wood system that will look modern and clean.

We also need to order the umbrella, sails and posts so that they can be installed with the pour of the pool apron.

Due to accelerating the construction on the main buildings, we will delay the taco hut until next Spring. This also saves it was just sitting through the winter an extra year.

We did a lot of planning for the Fall Festival which will focus on the History and Heritage of our county and will be held on Oct 7. Included in the plans are an antique car and tractor show, story telling, heritage demonstrations and

products (apple butter is already confirmed but we are looking for many more exhibitors/sellers) half runner bean cook off, BBQ dinners, children's activities including archery clinic, pizza making, fun with goats, and who knows what else we will land on for the kids, and we will end the day with live music and a bonfire. And I am sure we will do the Power Wheels race again. We will be dedicating our Agricultural Center & Goat Stable which will be located in the old field house. The Ag Center will be named The Elva T. Lamont Agricultural Center & Bleating Hearts Goat Stable. We will present this honor to Elva's family that day for all she did for our county to introduce the value and fun of goat farming to Calhoun County.

Next week will be another busy one just like last week. Hopefully it may be a little cooler for the team.

Wishing you a great week and stay cool during these last couple weeks of dog days.

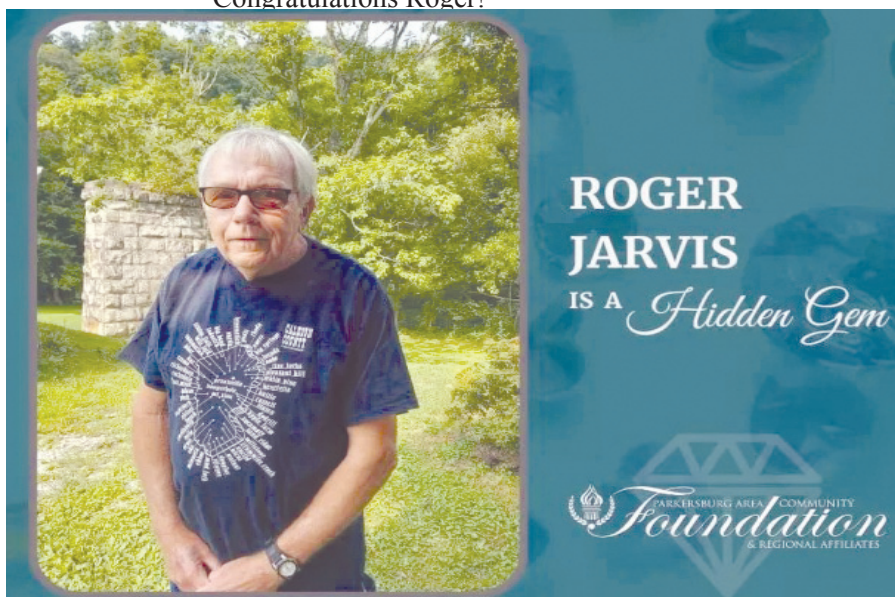
All my very best,  
Crystal

# Calhoun's Hidden Gems Recognized by the PACF

By Shari Johnson

Those of us who live here know that Calhoun County is filled with gems, and it's wonderful to see a few of them recognized! To commemorate its 60th anniversary, the Parkersburg Area Community Foundation and Regional Affiliates sought from the public those special people who are the "hidden gems" of our region who personify the Foundation's values of partnering, learning, generosity, inclusiveness, and integrity. Two Calhoun residents were honored by the PACF for their contributions to the County of Calhoun.

Congratulations Roger!



Roger Jarvis of Grantsville, WV has served the Calhoun community for many years and has contributed countless hours to organizations such as the Calhoun County Park, Children's Tee Ball, and many others. His humble demeanor and willingness to help make him a sparkling gem for Calhoun.

From his nominator: "For decades Roger has been a very active volunteer in the community. In addition, he helps out friends and neighbors whenever a need arises."

While Crystal Mersh of Arnoldsburg, WV has only been back in Calhoun County a few short years, the impact she has made on Calhoun County would have taken decades for anyone else to accomplish! Her drive to bring the County back to life has not only been witnessed on the property of the 1982 Foundation, but throughout the community with her active participation and contributions in other community organizations and businesses. Known across the globe for savvy business talents, she too is a sparkling gem in our community for sharing her vast array of talents with us. Congratulations to Crystal!

From her nominator: "Crystal started the 1982 Foundation which is working to turn an old high school into a thriving community center."



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**Thursday, August 10**

Pretty Baby Registration (picnic shelter near stage)...5:30 p.m.  
 Pretty Baby Contest.....6:00 p.m.  
 Mairo & Luigi Character Meet & Greet .....6:00 p.m.  
 Gospel Music (main stage) .....7:00 p.m.  
 Children's Pedal Tractor Pull (basketball court) .....7:30 p.m.  
 Josh Oldaker (music, main stage).....8:00 p.m.  
 Carnival Rides .....5:00-10:00 p.m.

**Friday, August 11**

Country Club Band - Main Stage.....5:00 p.m.  
 Emergency Services Meet & Greet .....5:00-6:30 p.m.  
 Hay Bale Toss (basketball court) .....6:00 p.m.  
 Bingo & Bluey Character Meet & Greet.....6:00 p.m.  
**Championship Bull Ride .....7:00 p.m.**  
 Clinton Carsey & Track Layers (music, main stage) ..9:00 p.m.  
 Carnival Rides .....5:00-11:00 p.m.

**Saturday, August 12**

Antique Car Show..... 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
 Bluey & Bingo Character Meet & Greet..... 1:00 p.m.  
 Youth Livestock Sale ..... 1:30 p.m.  
 Field Day Activities (pavilion near main stage) ..... 4:00 p.m.  
 Stitch Character Meet & Greet ..... 4:00 p.m.  
 Roping Contest (bull ride arena)..... 6:00 p.m.  
**Championship Bull Ride ..... 7:00 p.m.**  
 Mario & Luigi Characters Meet & Greet..... 7:00 p.m.  
 Midnight Outlaws (music, main stage)..... 9:00 p.m.  
 Carnival Rides ..... 1:00-5:00 p.m., 6:00-11:00 p.m.

**Sunday, August 13**  
**Hoover Field - Free Admission**

Horse Pile Bingo..... 1:00 p.m.  
 Horse Show ..... 1:30 p.m.  
 Horse Judging ..... 2:30 p.m.

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