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Calhoun County Commission Public Hearing and Meeting held Nov. 13th

By Melissa West

The Calhoun commission held a public hearing for the Comprehensive Plan prior to their regular meeting. There was no public comments or questions.



The Calhoun County Commission held their monthly meeting Nov. 13th. Commissioner President Arthur was present by phone, while Commissioner Helmick and newly appointed Commissioner Propst were present in person. Commissioner Helmick asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the October 10th, October 23rd (Special) and November 3rd (Special) meetings. Commissioner Propst made the motion to accept the minutes with the 2nd; motion carried.

His first order of official business was to call attention to two areas of importance. The first being the posting of the Commission meeting agenda, which for months has only been done on the porch bulletin board with a very limited audience for viewing. Propst read the ethics opinion on the matter which said that “The only requirement is posting the meeting agenda in a central place and by having copies available in regular businesses hours in the County Clerk’s office. The clerk may distribute agendas by mail, email or web. While encouraged, it does not invalidate a public meeting.” “We need to do more than what satisfies the law,”he continued. “There is no reason that press in our county should not have the agenda. I plan to do that on a monthly basis.”

The second matter he wanted to bring to the attention of the people was how specific must a agenda be. “Vague heading are insufficient.” Speakers and what they’re discussing should be clearly listed. Commissioner Propst that that he was looking forward to working on the budget with his fellow commissioners and working to rid the county of dilapidated buildings. “I’m the rookie, I may have questions and need clarification, and I’m ready.”

The first to speak under Delegations was Dr. Mark Sarver of Glenville State University. He gave the Commissioners a handout with his findings and recommendations. Sarver’s recommendations was for the Elected officials to: Make zoning and the implementation of an Unsafe Housing Ordinance a priority; Implement an Unsafe Housing Ordinance; Implement a tax fee structure for abandoned and dilapidated properties; Market to Contractors regarding opportunity; Consider using Little Kanawha Area Development Authority; Partner with a non-profit to expand apprenticeship programs for contractors; Identify opportunities to expand infrastructure.

Some of the issues that Mr. Sarver noted that the Commission would face would be: Property that had gone heirship with multiple, possibly hundred of heirs, furthering the difficulty of selling the property. A history of land hoarding in many WV Counties. Research done by the Appalachian Land Ownership Task Force shows that Absentee owners, Corporations and Government agencies controlled at least 53% of the total land surface in 1978-1981. There is currently a lack of Contractors There is also a lack of infrastructure necessary to develop housing areas such as public water, sewer and broadband.

Zoning is in place that addresses the Dark Skies Ordinance and has the structure in place for building codes. Investors and purchasers want to make sure their investment will be protected. The Town of Grantsville has a set of comprehensive zoning codes but they currently do not enforce them.

Sarver informed the Commission that Calhoun has significantly more occupants in rental housing than the national average. There are almost four times as many residents living in mobile homes than the national average and that new residents since 2021 are almost five times as likely to move into a rental house than owner occupied. In Calhoun County 25% of the homes are now vacant. According to the research Sarver said that the current demand for housing in Calhoun County is 20-25 units per year in the next 5 years. That number increases in Gilmer County to 35-50 houses needed annually.

Dr. Sarver added that by implementing a free for home left vacant, owner would be encouraged to get occupants in the homes or tear down unsuitable housing which would increase property values. Mt. Zion resident Ari White asked if the fee structure would incentivize destruction of perfectly good homes? Dr. Sarver’s response was that the fee had proven effective in the communities that had introduced it previously. Business Woman Crystal Mersh asked if migration was driving the reason for new homes being needed for which Sarver answered that people were also moving back home as well as wanting out of high traffic areas. “People like small towns,” he said.

Melissa O’Brien, now representing City Net as their local liaison brought an update to the commission on the progress of the Roane EDA Project for which Calhoun is part of. The project will serve about 450 Calhoun residents and is \$22 million dollar project at no cost to Calhoun. She provided a map (as seen below) that shows the coverage areas. The blue will be covered by City Net, the gray areas by Frontier Communications and the White areas are either already covered or are too sparse to be efficient.



Hortz Motz who has struggled with Frontier service for many years questioned Ms. O’Brien about why Frontier was permitted to provide inadequate service that they were capable of changing such as an increase in the internet speed at his home that came following a complaint. O’Brien informed Mr. Motz that because she was the competitor of Frontier she could not answer his question but that he should be aware there are regulations that they have to turn in their speed every so often and if not they’ll suffer penalties or have to pay money back from funding sources.

Carl Ballengee spoke for the Christmas Parade Committee to inform the Commission that the Christmas parade continues getting larger which they would like to see it continue. This year they’ve added a light post display contest to the home decorating contest. The theme of the 2023 event is Musical lights and magical nights”. The parade depends on donations, for which Ballengee

Calhoun County Committee On Aging Minnora Center News!

Submitted by Marty Park

On November 13th 2023, The COA Minnora Center honored Veterans with Lunch! Pictured below Left to Right: Randy Wilson, Dana Rose, Roscoe Rogers, They served their country in the Army, and Bobby Mitchell served in the National Guards. We thank you Veterans for your Service!



Tex and Pat Murphy celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary. They were married on November 9, 1963.

They have two sons, Mark and Marshall; three grandchildren and one great grandchild. They have four wonderful dogs.

The Minnora COA Center surprised them with not one, but two cakes! Fun times were had by all in attendance.

requested a donation from the Calhoun Commission to buy prizes and other things for the parade. Commissioner Helmick informed Mr. Ballengee that it couldn’t be voted on because it wasn’t on the agenda to which Ballengee stated that he had attempted to get it on the agenda but couldn’t get in touch with Jean Simers, County Clerk on the day prior to the deadline for such matters. The Commission agreed to hold a special meeting to provide a donation prior to the parade.

Kelly Barr, 911 Director reported to the commission that her agency is continuing their training and have had a very busy month. In addition, wildfires are up across the State, which included a Gilmer County Fire that Arnoldsburg assisted on where firefighters fought a forest blaze for 20 hours. She reported that she had taken and passed a G273 class and was planning to hire a couple of part time people, to which she has several applications to look at for the positions.

Jason Wilson, EMS Director of Minnie Hamilton Health System reported to the commission that the ambulance service had 100 run sheets for the month of October as well as EMS chart accounts. He told the Commissioners that he was looking into a continual issue of refusals (15-18%) being a high number of runs in the course of their service. Of the 100 runs in October, 23 had come through as refusals. The number of patients represented in that series of refusals was 9, causing a question as to why they had such repetition. One event was the same patient calling and refusing three times in a 36 hour period. Wilson is attempting to address the issue with Community medicine to provide education to patients.

Wilson wanted to address comments heard in the community regarding Emergency crews not responding with lights and sirens. Wilson explained that the use of lights and sirens made very little difference in arrival time and increased the possibility of accidents along the route, therefore it was intentional that the lights and sirens were not in use. The lights and sirens are utilized when necessary.

A second community complaint had been heard regarding the first response vehicle, for which Mr. Wilson drives, having been left running while he attended meetings and events. This is due to the fact that there are medicines in the vehicle that must remain a certain temperature. Due to weather variation, the van remains on with climate control. He presented the Commissioners with a copy of Minnie Hamilton EMS Fiscal report 2022, financial audit, was provided to the Commission.

Sheriff Graham Knight reported that there were currently 13 defendants on Home Confinement which brought in \$3800 this past month home confinement fees. He has ordered an additional 15 new boxes for more people being assigned to the system. Sheriff Knight further reported that both cruisers were now completed, he would need to do a budget revision of an additional \$60,559.19

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Letter From Editor

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 3) All letters must be signed by the author and include the city in which they reside.
 Please note all submissions are subject to individual editorial approval.

Journey to Bethlehem Dec. 9th

Get ready for the Journey to Bethlehem 2023. There are seven stops representing the search for the Christ Child. It is a free event and a wonderful way to celebrate the advent season. One would not want to miss the sweet melodies of an angel choir or the quiet warmth of a cozy Inn.

There are even a few treats along the way...like the Shepherd's freshly made kettle corn popped over an open fire. YUMMY!

It is a self-guided, FREE tour through the town of Grantsville. (walk or drive) Tours can start anytime throughout the evening and stops do not have to be made in any specific order, but do not miss the most important stop of all--the nativity. Afterall, Jesus is the reason for the season! Step back into the story of the Christ Child as you walk a luminary lined route toward the manger. Get a map for the journey at the First Baptist Church on High Street.

December 9, 5 pm to 8 pm Agenda of the Stops:

- #1. Gather Provisions for journey
- #2. See the Wisemen for some traveling advice
- #3. Find a place to stay the night
- #4. Register for the Census
- #5. Look for Shepherds
- #6. Hear Angels Caroling
- #7. Search for the Live Nativity

Follow the lanterns and enjoy the Journey to Bethlehem.
 "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."

Grantsville Town Council Meeting held Nov. 6th

By Emma Howell

The Grantsville Town Council held their November meeting on Monday, Nov. 6th in the City Conference Room.

Following the Welcome and pledge to the American Flag, Mayor Robert Petrovsky opened the floors to citizen concerns. A resident on Mill Street brought a noise complaint regarding a neighbor who repeatedly all hours of the day and night, starts and revs a loud vehicle disturbing the peace of the neighborhood. The Mayor said although there were somethings that were just out of the City's control, the noise ordinance may be able to be addressed with the resident. He said that it was also a parking issue and he would be requesting assistance from the Sheriff Graham Knight to speak to the subjects to work out a solution.

Another resident brought up the issue of the brightness of the 82 foundation sign that makes it hard to see as they approach southside road and they're concern was for the inability to see deer that have been coming down the paths into the area. Mayor Petrovsky said that he would speak to Crystal Mersh and see if the sign could be made a different color that would be less blinding.

Under the Mayors communications he reported that he would be adjusting the City Park lights to accommodate the winter hours. The City Staff continues to work on the restroom facility and have determined that a magnetic locking system would be put in place to allow the restrooms to be locked after hours. The Pickleball court painting will continue in spring and the grills are now set up and locked in place to prevent theft. The City has been working on a additional grant opportunities and are waiting to hear from Sisters of St. Joseph regarding an application made with them. The Mayor, council and staff had a meeting with Mt. Zion over the pumping schedule and the need to pay 55 hours of overtime to Craig Gherke (see Mt. Zion PSD story). Two City Water Department employees are in class this week hoping to test and become Operators in Training for the Town of Grantsville Water Department.

Misnomers are apparently an issue with Grantsville as well, as the the Mayor said that "Facebook Warriors" had been criticizing City staff on recent line repairs. The Mayor was frustrated, noting that the employees had spent countless hours repairing leaks, even on Sunday; but because of equipment issues and the requirements of 811, that gives a time restraint once a line location is filed, prevented staff from finishing the repairs. The Mayors intention is to address more lines when weather permits.

Mayor Petrovsky thanked the Council members who had volunteered to host a community haunted house that was a great success. Cheryl Sturms reported that the groups recent fundraising efforts had collected \$47,773 which included the Calhoun Commission contribution and cash donations in the amount of \$10,050.

Councilwoman Emilee Morgan spoke with John King, Office of Environmental Advocate who is assisting the town a list of requirement that need to be met to qualify for assistance in getting rid of possibly six structures in the Town of Grantsville.

Jerry Howell asked the Mayor what the plans were for the Rainbow Hotel Property to which the Mayor responded that they are still waiting on a clear title for the Rainbow property, and that no specific plans have been made.

An audit approval for the 23-24 audit to be done by same auditor as previous year was made with all council members in favor.

The city renewed their Shentel franchise agreement. The 5 year renewal gives Shentel right of ways and equipment responsibility, the ability to trim around equipment to prevent possible structure issues and liability. Motion passed unanimously

Carl Ballengee of the Calhoun Christmas celebration committee spoke to the Mayor and Council about this years "Musical nights and magical light" themed Christas event. The parade line up will be at the Grantsville Fire house and the route will proceed across the bridge, left at the caution light, down Main Street and end at Leaf Bank Road. Fire and Emergency Services will turn on Court Street at the Courthouse to clear them away from the parade in case they are needed for an emergency. The Parade will begin at 6 p.m. with festivities throughout the town. The committee also requested permission to take over decorating the traffic island toward town hill. The council agreed for the Committee to take charge and offered their assistance. The council paid bills and the meeting was adjourned.

Creston News

by Alvin Engelke
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Local residents are adjusting to the government mandated time back to Eastern Standard Time. Originally fast time was instituted as "War Time" so workers could work longer hours in dimly lit factories making stuff for World War II. Those who have been out & about note that there are a few places with brightly colored oak leaves.

Some Creston and Wirt residents attended the Sen. Donna Boley breakfast where the speaker was Nate Cain who is running for Congress in the Second District. Wirt County is now in the First District.

Older residents remember when W. Va. had 6 congressional districts -- one might say that is what 80+ years of one party/kleptocracy rule leads to. Cain noted that the other fellow running for the position was a VP for the Podesta Brothers lobbying venture down in the lower Potomac swamp where the Podestas held high government positions and lobbied for foreign nations to the detriment of American citizens. Likely this would be an accurate description of a member of the "deep state".

Alexa was attending to business in Creston.

The food inflation is something that impacts almost everyone. Because of government policies the most basic food items have taken huge price increases, often in the 25% range. Some folks like to drink hot cocoa which is an excellent winter time drink generally associated with winter sports, etc. Because of bad harvests cocoa is now \$4,000/ton, a 45 year high. Now a cup of hot cocoa with marshmallows will be a "luxury item".

Creston & Annamoriah residents attended the 104th annual W. Va. Farm Bureau meeting down at the Mouth of the Elk. President Charles Wilfong gave a summary of issues facing farmers and citizens of the state & nation.

Wilfong noted that the fake meat folks are not doing well although governments in Europe are insisting that thousands of cattle be killed to "prevent global warming". He also noted that one should be very, very careful before signing some contract about carbon sequestration for trees on your land. Likely one would do well to wait and learn what the price & terms should be and then deal with those to whom the present contracts will be sold. John Pitsenbarger is the new Farm Bureau VP.

Wilfong also noted that the timber market has soured, reflecting the national economy, and that most mills now operating would be shutting down. The only market seems to be white oak that is being used for whiskey barrels.

The Wirt road crew has been mowing the berms along W. Va. 5.

The comely Kim was visiting Wilma Mowrey.

It was learned that the US Supreme Court will not take up the case where Antero objected to the value of \$1.5 billion for their wells in Ritchie & Doddridge counties. It was noted that another company is now taking 30% off the gross sales volumes for "line loss".

Still the elites down at the Mouth of the Elk refuse to allow sales meters to be checked for accurate measurement. Who do these folks represent? Perhaps people in Denver, New York, Birmingham, Houston, Oslo & Dallas.

There were 59 new permits in W. Va. for Marcellus & Utica wells and the amount of LNG (liquefied natural gas) exported to foreign nations continues to increase. Now Canada & Mexico are building LNG export facilities as well.

Natural gas prices continue to "be all over the place". The EIA (Energy Information Agency) says that the Henry Hub price will average \$3.40 this winter although presently it is \$3.03. Locally gas on TCO (Columbia) is \$1.547 while on DTI (Mother Hope) it is \$1.417/MMBTU. Those prices do not reflect the transportation charges. September gas from Calhoun County sold on DTI is worth 61.04 cents/MMBTU.

There will be a mineral rights meeting December 2 at 3 P. M. in the Senior Citizens Center which is said to be the old Tyler County High School Auditorium in Middlebourne. More details should follow.

Several folks have been trying to harvest a local fine looking buck like the one folks see up at Booger Hole. Where one sees the big buck folks also not extensive Coyote scat. Coyote hides make fine garments that do not contain petrochemicals (plastics). A definite win win for those who want to ban "fossil fuels" & still keep warm.

The price of local Pennsylvania grade crude is \$76.17/bbl. with condensate fetching just \$58.17/bbl. with Marcellus & Utica light bringing \$67.17 & medium \$76.17/bbl.

Folks need to remember that it is not long until January when one can run for county offices, legislative seats and state wide offices.

Who would be a good sheriff, who would be an effective county commissioner, a hard working magistrate or assessor? If not you, then who?

Mt. Zion PSD holds meeting Nov. 6th -Clarification

By Melissa West

Aryeh White clarified that his response to the Phillips Run project was not meant to sound like our local Dept. of Highways did anything wrong. He was referring to a similiar project in another region.

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This Week In Calhoun History

The following reports are taken from the Calhoun Chronicle Archives.

1923, 100 YEARS: Chancery Orders of the Circuit Court last week

The following orders were entered on the chancery side at the term of court held last week.

Hope Construction and Refining Co. vs Nacy Jarvis et al. Order dismissing injunction as to George Griffin and taxing statute fee of \$15 against plaintiff.

Tell McDonald et al. vs G. A. Boggs et al. Order filling answer of Hope Natural Gas Company.

Order granting leave to G. W. and Caroline Cunningham to adopt Thelma Jane Barnes, minor child of William Barnes and Adaline Barnes, deceased.

W.T.W. Dye vs M.A.C. Board sheriff etc. decree confirming sale of 25 acres of land to D.F. Norman and wife at \$300.

Peoples Bank vs B.P. Bulter et al. Decree appointing Lorentz C. Hamilton to sell tract of 100 acres, Straight Run, Washington district.

H.C. Elsmo, Gdn vs Pery Edward Knotts et al. Decree confirming lease to Hope Natural Gas Co.

F.S. Wilson vs A. B. Gainer et al. Order filling answer of defendants.

T.E. Vineyard vs G. A. Richards, Sheriff etc. Decree appointing A. G. Mathews to make sale of 25 and 30 acres on Gosse Nest, Lee district.

J.C. McKinley et al. vs O. P. Gainer. Rule against defendant requiring him to produce a certain deed.

T. C. McKluley et al. vs James Grogg and Arthur Collins. Decree appointing Lorentz C. Hamilton to make sale of 86 1-4 acres, Sheridan district.

B.G. Stump, Gdn vs Geraldine Perine et al. Decree confirming sale of lots in Arnoldsburg to Leon and F.V. Haymaker.

Little Kanawha Log and Tie Co. vs Bryan Ward. Decree appointing A.G. Mathews to make sale of 83 acres land on Lemuels Run, Sheridan district.

Tell McDonald et al. vs G.A. Boggs et al. Order certifying question of sufficiency of bill to supreme court.

1948, 75 YEARS: Going Hunting:

When is a deer not a deer? As the Maine Development commission warns “Deer do not wear red. They walk on four legs and they do not resemble a man in any way, shape or manner.” We might add, “Nor to deer smoke cigarettes.” Hunting season dangers might well be listed under the heading of “courtesy.” We certainly violate rules of politeness by having an open season on man. Hunters are supposed to be good sportsmen, but many abuse the laws of sportsmanship. Perhaps this is the reason more “No Hunting” signs are posted. Damage and trouble to owners of property is the reason. Consideration of others, of one’s own self, would do away with warning of safety measures. There is a responsibility that rests on the hunter’s shoulders, as he carries a gun under his arm.

Recipes found in the Chronicle

Crumbled Apple Tart

Crust

2 cups sifted all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon baking powder

½ cup sugar

½ cup butter or margarine

1 ½ teaspoon cinnamon

Sift flour, baking powder and sugar together. Work the butter or margarine into flour mixture with your hands or a couple of knives until it is very crumbly. Now measure out about ¾ of a cup and mix up with the cinnamon and set aside to sprinkle on top of filling. Take the rest of mixture and press into bottom and sides of a 9” pie pan.

Filling

4 medium cooking apples

1 tablespoon chopped candied citron

1/3 cup sugar

Peel and core the apples and cut into ¼-inch slices. Put apples and citron in a saucepan, add water to a depth of a quarter of an inch. Cover and cook 5 minutes. Take off stove and drain. Sprinkle with 1/3 cup sugar. Fill pie shell with apples. Sprinkle cinnamon mixture on top. Bake 10 minutes in 425 or hot oven, then 30 minutes longer at 350 or moderate. Cool before serving.

1973, 50 YEARS: Three Grantsville Scouts reached the highest rank

The rank of Eagle was reached by three members of the Grantsville Boy Scout Troop No.36 with awards presented Sunday morning at services at the First Baptist Church. Lou Camp, Scout executive of the Kootaga Council made the presentations to Joe Morris, Jim Garretson and Steve Buck. For Scoutmaster Harold Wilson this was the second such ceremony since becoming Scout leader in Grantsville.

All three, Morris, Garretson and Buck, have been in Scouts seven years, and have attended camp six years. While participating in many Scout activities they are also active in sports and in civic and church work.

Joe Morris, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Morris of Grantsville, is a Senior Patrol leader in Scouts. At Calhoun high school he plays football, basketball and golf, and is in the A Cappella Choir and Vandalia Singers. He is a member of Varsity Club and F.C.A. also the Music club is vice president of the choir and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Jim Garretson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Garretson of Grantsville, is also a Senior Patrol leader in the Scouts. He is a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church and the Junior Odd Fellows, and at Calhoun high he is president of the Student Council. He plays for the Calhoun Red Devils in football this fall, and also plays basketball for the school.

Steve Buck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orval Glen Buck of Grantsville, has participated in football, basketball and golf, and is a member of the Varsity Club, F.C.A. and the Choir, all at Calhoun high school. He is president of the BYF of the First Baptist Church.

Boys Scouts and Cub Scouts of the area were in uniform and attending the Eagle Scout ceremony, along with Scout leaders with quite a number of out of town visitors.

Food For Thought

By Judy Wolfram

The holidays are almost upon us so let's talk easy casseroles for Thanksgiving or Christmas.

Because to tell you the truth the thought of a green bean casserole turns me green, so here we go.

Corn Pudding

1 can cream style corn

1 can (5 oz.) evaporated milk

2 eggs (beaten)

¼ cup butter (melted and cooled)

¾ cup granulated sugar

3 tablespoons self-rising flour

½ teaspoon vanilla

extract
Combine all of the ingredients in a bowl, mix well and pour into a 2 quart casserole dish.

Bake uncovered at 325 for 30 to 40 minutes. Insert a knife in the center when time is up. If it comes out clean it's done.

Broccoli Casserole

½ cup grated cheddar cheese (extra sharp)

½ cup cream of chicken soup

½ cup of mayonnaise

A dash of pepper

1 bag frozen chopped broccoli

20 crushed ritz crackers

1 tablespoon of butter

Cook broccoli in lightly salted water until tender. Drain it well. Grease the casserole dish with butter.

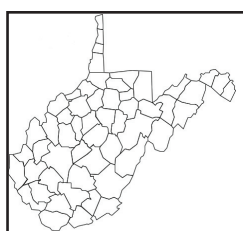
Spread the broccoli evenly on the bottom of the dish.

Mix cheese, soup, mayonnaise and pepper together until blended.

Pour over the broccoli. Brown ritz crackers in the butter and spread over the broccoli evenly.

Bake at 325 for 30 minutes.

Enjoy them both. 2 more next week!!



This Week In West Virginia History

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Charleston WV – The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history. To read more, go to e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia at www.wvencyclopedia.org. The W.Va. Encyclopedia is a project of the W.Va. Humanities Council, 1310 Kanawha Blvd. E., Charleston, WV 25301; 304-346-8500 or www.wvencyclopedia.org.



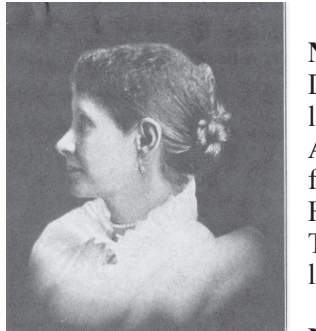
Nov. 16, 1734: Samuel Washington was born at Pope’s Creek, Virginia. Samuel, a younger brother of George Washington, was the first of several members of the Washington family to live in what is now the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia.

Nov.16,1823: Politician and industrialist Henry Gassaway Davis (on right), known in the early 20th century as West Virginia’s “Grand Old Man,” was born in Baltimore, Md.



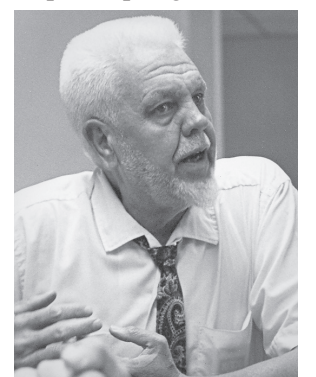
Nov. 17, 1927: Composer and performer Robert Drasnin (on left) was born in Charleston. He performed with classic combos and big bands such as Tommy Dorsey and Les Brown, and scored music for movies and television.

Nov. 18, 2007: Country singer Chickie Williams (on right) died. As wife of musician Doc Williams, she performed with his Border Riders band and appeared on the Wheeling Jamboree radio show.



Nov. 19, 1854: Poet Danske Dandridge (on left) was born in Copenhagen. The daughter of an American ambassador, she lived in Shepherdstown from age 19, where her work was published in Harper’s and The Century. Both of her homes, The Bower and Rosebrake, are Jefferson County landmarks.

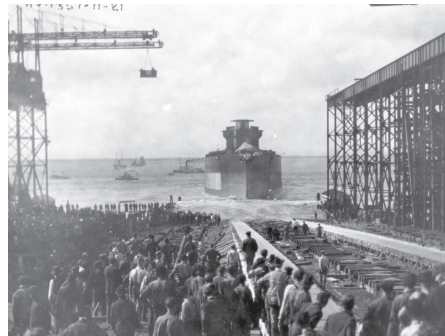
Nov. 19, 1899: Sculptor Gladys Tuke was born in Linwood, Pocahontas County. Tuke was a member of the original artist colony at The Greenbrier; during World War II, she taught at Ashford General Hospital, and later established a pottery and sculpture studio in White Sulphur Springs.



Nov. 19, 1900: William Page Pitt was born in New York City. In 1926, Pitt joined the faculty of what was then Marshall College. In his 45-year career at Marshall, he built its journalism program into one with dozens of classes and hundreds of students. Marshall University’s W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications is named in his honor.

Nov. 19, 1909: The Lincoln County Courthouse was burned. With coal, oil and gas, and timber booming, arson was suspected for the purpose of destroying land records and confusing titles.

Nov. 19, 1921: The USS West Virginia was christened. It was one of six battleships at Pearl Harbor on the morning of December 7, 1941, that suffered massive damage from torpedoes and bombs in the surprise attack. It was rebuilt and joined the Seventh Fleet for the invasion of the Philippines.

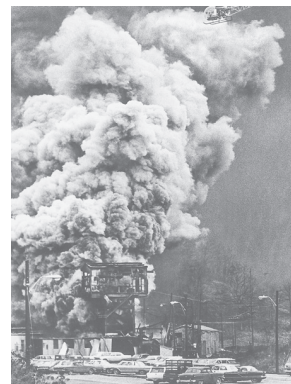


Nov. 20, 1894: Eight men were killed in a coal mine disaster near Colliers, Brooke County. They were using a dangerous method called “shooting from the solid,” meaning that they blasted the coal loose without first undercutting it.

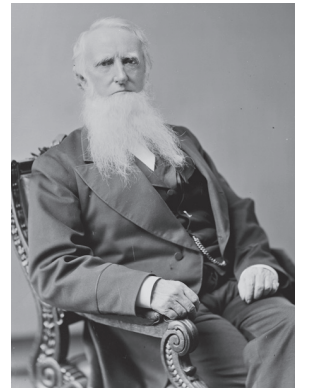


Nov. 20, 1917: Robert C. Byrd was born in North Wilkesboro, North Carolina. He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1958 and remained in office until his death in 2010.

Nov. 20, 1968: An explosion at Consolidation Coal Company’s No. 9 mine near Farmington killed 78 men. The disaster brought national attention to the issue of mine safety.

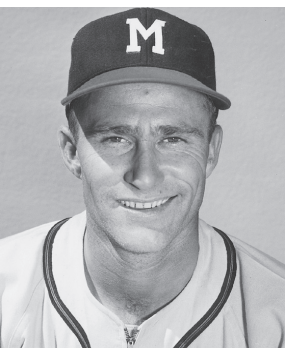


Nov. 21, 1810: Allen Taylor Caperton was born in Monroe County. Caperton served in the Confederate Senate during the Civil War and in the U.S. Senate from 1875 to 1876.



Nov. 22, 1910: Fire destroyed the academic building at Concord College. By the next morning, community leaders had arranged to teach the 300 students in rooms throughout the town of Athens.

Nov. 22, 1926: Selva Lewis “Lew” Burdette Jr. was born in Nitro. Burdette was an outstanding major league baseball player who spent most of his career with the Milwaukee Braves.



My Home Among the Hills

by Mellody Walburn



Thank heavens, I am healthy again, or I wouldn't have made it through this very busy week. I do have a lingering cough, but I can handle that as long as it doesn't keep me awake at night. Thankfully, I am sleeping well, even if my body is still confused by the time change. I fight to stay awake until 10:00 and find myself wake at 4:30. Hopefully, my body adapts soon and gets back into the routine.

I hit the ground running on Monday. After a full day of school, I stopped by to see my parents and Rascal before heading to the History Museum. When I arrived, work had already started on the Christmas window displays. The theme for the windows is based around the Polar Express. The window on the right was really taking shape, so I volunteered to begin emptying out the window on the left to prepare for its transformation.

We still have lots of work to do before December, but by the time we packed up for the night, we had made real progress on the windows. We should be able to finish those up this week, and then we will be able to turn our attention to the Stump Hotel.

Tuesday evening was spent at the library. I left school quickly to make it to the November board meeting. I am the secretary, so I didn't want to be late. I made it with two minutes to spare. I even stopped by the house to pick up my contribution for the Cookbook Club, which would follow the board meeting. The library meeting ran smoothly, and soon I was on my way to pick up Maricia for dinner. As usual, we had a great time. The food was delicious, and the company even better. I really enjoy being a part of this little group.

On Wednesday, I had a meeting of the LSIC after school. It didn't start until 5:00, so this gave me time to finish my lesson plans for this week and make a few copies I will need. I am the secretary of this group too, so I have two set of minutes to type up this weekend. After the meeting, I headed to the Mlyneks' house for dinner. Then I made a quick stop at home to change my clothes and head back out to Bible Study.

Thursday evening was the monthly meeting of the historical society. Maricia and I headed down a little early to do some work on the windows before the meeting began. I will admit I was starting to drag by this time, so I was glad I had Friday off for Veteran's Day. Knowing I could sleep in on Friday put a little extra pep in my step. A bit more work was accomplished on our Christmas decorating and another successful meeting was held.

I sure attended my share of meetings this week. After the meeting, I headed home for a hot shower, my pajamas, and to read one of the books I had picked out at the library on Tuesday evening. I let myself check out four books since I should have time to read over my Thanksgiving break. I was nodding off by 10:00, so I headed to bed loving the fact that I didn't need to set my alarm.

The Mlyneks and I decided to use our day off to go into Parkersburg to accomplish some shopping we needed to do. Top on our list was picking out a new couch for the parents' house. I have had great success at Belpre Furniture, so we decided to look there. Not wanting to shop on empty stomachs, we decided to look for somewhere to eat. We found a little Italian place in Belpre called Antonio's. We were not disappointed. Andy got an Italian sub sandwich, Maricia got a BLT pizza, and I ordered lasagna. Everything was delicious, and I highly recommend this restaurant if you are in the area. I am happy to say we found a couch, and it will be delivered next week in time for the holidays.

Saturday morning was spent cleaning and doing laundry. Then I tackled a little schoolwork and typed up the minutes from all of my meetings. The evening was spent playing Phase Ten with family and friends. We don't get to do this nearly as much as we would like, so it was great to all be together.

After church on Sunday, I had lunch with the family and then helped Maricia rearrange the parents' living room to accommodate the new couch. We also did some cleaning and organizing in preparation for the holidays.

It was a busy week, but Thanksgiving Break is only one week away, and I am counting down the days.

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.)

Thurs., Nov. 16: turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, pumpkin pie.

Fri., Nov. 17: pinto beans with ham, mixed greens, beets, fruit, whole wheat cornbread.

Mon., Nov. 20: chicken tenders, macaroni and cheese, mustard greens, fruit, whole wheat bun.

Tues., Nov. 21: spaghetti with meat sauce, steamed vegetables, applesauce, whole wheat roll.

Wed., Nov. 22: hamburger patty on whole wheat roll, lettuce/onion, french fries, fruit.

Thurs., Nov. 23: CLOSED

Fri., Nov. 24: CLOSED

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, 304-354-7017, to be placed on a list.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Thurs., Nov. 16: First Baptist Calhoun Food Pantry, Rt. 5, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Calhoun County Library Trivia Night, CCCOA Building, 6 p.m.

Grantsville Pickleball Club, NYA Building, 7 p.m.

Fri., Nov. 17: Minnie Hamilton Mobile Food Pantry, 11:00 a.m. Arnoldsburg Community Park.

Save the Children Parent Child Group meets at Srnoldsburg Elementary, 1:00 p.m.

Sat, Nov. 18: Hallmark Christmas Meeting, 1982 Foundation Office on Main Street Grantsville, 10 a.m.

Sing at the Upper West Fork Park, Stephanie & the Band of Brothers (Mark IV), 7 p.m.

Live John Richards Music, Country Kitchen, Big Otter, 9 p.m.

Tues., Nov. 21: First Baptist Calhoun Food Pantry, Rt. 5, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Save the Children Parent Child Group meets at FRN, 4:30 p.m.

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

Calhoun Republican Executive Committee Meeting, Grantsville firehall, 6:30 p.m.

Grantsville Pickleball Club, NYA Building, 7 p.m.

New Books at the Calhoun Library - Come Check it out

Submitted by Caitlin Weaver

ADULT FICTION: The Housemaid by: Freida McFadden; The Housemaid's Secret by: Freida McFadden; The Locked Door by: Freida McFadden; Never Lie by: Freida McFadden; The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by: Gabrielle Zevin; The Language of Flowers by: Vanessa Diffenbaugh; Slay by: Laurell K. Hamilton and Resurrection Walk by: Michael Connelly

INSPIRATIONAL: Knowing You by: Tracie Peterson and Her Secret Hope by: Shelley Shepard Gray

JUVENILE FICTION: Escaping Peril by: Tui T. Sutherland; The Borrowers by: Mary Norton and Peter Pan and Wendy by: J.M. Barrie

CHILDREN'S: The Three Little Aliens and the Big Bad Robot by: Margaret McNamara; The Lion & the Mouse by: Jerry Pinkney; I Am Mister Rogers by: Brad Meltzer; Someday, Narwhal by: Lisa Mantchev; What Do You Do With a Tail Like This? by: Steve Jenkins; A Sick Day for Amos McGee by: Stead and Go Away, Big Green Monster! by: Ed Emberley

CHRISTMAS: Kissing Father Christmas by: Robin Jones Gunn; Baby, It's Cold Outside by: Susan May Warren; The Christmas Secret by: Wanda Brunstetter; Under the Mistletoe; Love's Pure Light; The Sound of Sleighbells by: Janet Dailey; A Royal Christmas by: Melody Carlson; Otto the Ornament by: Troy Cummings; We Disagree About This Tree by: Ross Collins; How The Grinch Lost Christmas! by: Alastair Heim; Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Sleigh by: Mo Willems; A Royal Christmas Wedding by: Rachel Hauck; Bright Lights, Big Christmas by: Mary Kay Andrews; Santa & Company by: Fern Michaels; Christmas in Painted Pony Creek by: Linda Lael Miller; A Holly Jolly Ever After by: Julie Murphy; Midnight at the Christmas Bookshop by: Jenny Colgan; Christmas at the Shelter Inn by: RaeAnne Thayne; Snowmen's Twelve Nights of Christmas by: Caralyn Beuhner; Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Sleigh! by: Mo Willems; How Does Santa Go Down the Chimney? by: Mac Barnett; The Twelve Dogs of Christmas by: Susan Wiggs; The Twelve Books of Christmas by: Kate Carlisle and The Christmas Guest by: Peter Swanson

Calhoun County Historical Society Holds Monthly Meeting

Submitted by Mellody Walburn

The Calhoun County Historical Society held their monthly meeting at the History Center on Thursday, November 9th, at 6:00 pm. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Bonar. The minutes and treasurer's reports were both read and approved.

The society participated in the CCCOA Craft Fair and were very pleased with the public's response to the items we sold. It was definitely a successful two days.

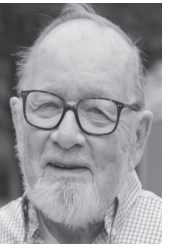
Preparations have begun for the Christmas season. The society will be decorating both of the museum's windows and the Stump Hotel for the holidays. These will be completed in the next few weeks in preparation for the Christmas Parade, Hallmark Christmas, and the Journey to Bethlehem.

The final item on the agenda was a discussion about the staircase in the Stump Hotel. A temporary set of stairs was installed, and members have been on the lookout for a time period appropriate one since then. President Bonar let members know a staircase has been found. Members voted and approved to have the staircase installed. This will be a wonderful addition to the Stump Hotel.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, December 7th at 6:00 pm. The public is welcome to attend as the society is always looking for new members.

CURIOSITY CORNER

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



Question: What causes the screen on my iPad to rotate when I turn it? How does it know to do that? (Asked by a curious column reader via iPad.)

Reply: One of the most interesting features of a tablet, such as an iPad, is the ability to "flip" or rotate the screen's image. You can go from portrait to landscape, from up to down, and vice versa. The technology behind it is a bit complicated, but I will give it a ruddy go!

What is the internal mechanism responsible for this? An accelerometer. Acceleration is the rate of change of velocity. It is a vector having both magnitude and direction. A speedometer measures speed (a scalar), whereas an accelerometer measures acceleration (a vector with direction).

There are various types of accelerometers, but to learn the basics of operation, let's consider a simple mechanical accelerometer. Think of a spring with a suspended mass (a steel ball) attached to a housing or container. When the housing is moved upward, the heavy ball lags behind and stretches the spring. From the degree of stretch, the acceleration due to gravity can be calculated. The direction of motion in this case is known, but indicated by the accelerometer. Two accelerometers perpendicular to each other could be used to define two dimensional directions or a plane on rotation.

You may have noticed that only certain smartphone apps rotate - those having accelerometer applications. For example, the Calendar and Calculator apps on my iPhone rotate. However, some apps do not. It depends on how they were developed.

Of course, there aren't mechanical accelerometers in a tablet. In these, there are tiny silicon accelerometers on chips. Components on the chip provide motion-generated electrical signals from which the acceleration and orientation may be measured. Circuitry then causes the screen to rotate on a perpendicular axis. Once orientated, the process and rotation maybe reversed.

Accelerometers are used in a variety of applications that measure rotation, collision, and vibration. For example, accelerometers are used in air bag inflation in auto collisions. Electronic signals cause the bags to inflate when there is an acceleration detected... in this case a deceleration (negative acceleration) caused by the collision.

C.P.S. (Curious Postscript): "Bad news travels at the speed of light. Good news travels like molasses." -Tracy Morgan

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

Calhoun Homes Updates!

Submitted by Carol Sloane, President

The Board Members of Calhoun Homes, would like to take this time to update the citizens of Calhoun the good changes that have happened since new management has taken over.

November 14, 2022, we celebrated a birthday, plus a new Manager of Calhoun Homes, Inc., Robin Hughes. In the last 12 months many good things have happened. First was the FRN provided Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner to al the residents. With the help of the County Commissioners giving Calhoun Homes over 10,000 we were able to make the necessary repairs to four unoccupied apartments ready for renting, which set empty for over 2 years with the help of our new maintenance man Ronnie Brown. In April Calhoun Homes provided an Easter Egg Hunt, LionsClub, also provided bingo events at Calhoun Homes for the residents.

Two grants have been submitted one for new siding, windows and doors for al the units and was approved by Senator Manchin of \$200,000 for the budget year of 2024. Also, another grant hasjust been approved from the Sisters Foundation of Parkersburg for four new commercial washers and dryers, which wil be installed very soon. Also, new updated cameras have been installed for residents' safety.

Since, Robin has come aboard with Calhoun Homes, we have had several inspections with HUD and other state agencies with passing scores. Alot of hard work went into learning all the HUD rules and regulations and programs necessary to make Calhoun Homes run smoothly. We also now have seven good Board Member who are: Carol Sloane, President; Linda Station, Vice President; Janet Gherke, Secretary; Rhonda Lane, Treasurer; Cheryl Sturm, Board Member; Crystal Arthur, Board Member and Lorraine Bailey, Board Member. If anyone has any questions, feel free to contact any one of us. We are hoping for a an even better year of 2024 for Calhoun Homes.

Grantsville Pickleball Club



The Grantsville Pickleball Club is growing!

We play on Tuesday and Thursday nights at 7:00, weather permitting and are averaging 12-15 players.

The best part is there are people there of all ages, abilities, and athleticism. There are even some who come to just watch and socialize. Equipment is provided for newcomers to give the sport a try.

Come on out and watch everyone play if you are not sure what the game is all about. A fun time will be had by all who come out to play. Everyone is welcome!

Come join us Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. for some fun, fellowship, and physical fitness. We have found our Winter Season Home in the NYA Building.

FINAL 2023 CALHOUN HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY FOOTBALL STATISTICS

SENIOR RED DEVILS

(Record 0-10)

Submitted by Robert Bonar

RUSHING (carries-yards)

Jayton Gibson	180-887
Owen Taylor	83-242
Tyler Nelson	46-174
Adam Hughes	32-157
Brennan Carpenter	4-34
Dylan Buckius	3-18
Charter Cottrell	2-8
Gabe Waldron	2-1
Landon Hardway	2-2
Team	13-81
Total	377-1,436
Opponents	347-2,371

PASSING (PC-PA-Int. yds.)

Owen Taylor	34-101-7	376 yds.
Jayton Gibson	3-7-0	107 yds.
B. Carpenter	6-14-0	41 yds.
Total	43-122-7	524 yds.
(5 touchdown passes; Taylor 3, Carpenter 2)		
Opp.	61-113-6	1,047yds.
(17 touchdown passes)		

RECEIVING (catches-yds.)

Logan Tingler	14-240
Jayton Gibson	11-110
Brennan Carpenter	4-74
Tyler Nelson	7-62
Owen Taylor	4-20
Adam Hughes	3-18
Total (5 TD)	43-524
Opponents (17 TD)	61-1,047

KICKING

Kickoffs (no.-yds. avg.)		
Trenton Nelson	7-248	35.4
Gabe Waldron	18-360	20.0
Logan Tingler	1-39	39.0
Total	26-647	24.9
Opponents	74-2,704	36.5

Punts (no.-yds. avg.)

Logan Tingler	29-793	27.3
Team	3-0	0.0
Total	32-793	24.8
Opponents	9-272-30.2	

RETURNS

Kickoff returns (no.-yds.)

Jayton Gibson	27-379
Owen Taylor	14-188
Charter Cottrell	10-122
Joseph Nelson	3-13
Logan Tingler	1-12
Landon Hardway	2-10
Brennan Carpenter	1-6
Dylan Buckius	2-5
Gabe Waldron	1-3
Total	61-738
Opponents	15-207 13.8

Punt returns (no.-yds.)

Owen Taylor	2-5
Adam Hughes	-0
Total	3-5
Opponents	14-270

PENALTIES (no.-yds.)

Calhoun	62-505
Opponents	62-561

FIRST DOWNS

Calhoun	99
Opponents	143

DEFENSE

Interceptions-return yards (6-0) – Owen Taylor 4-0, Brennan Carpenter 1-0, Jayton Gibson 1-0.

Fumble recoveries (7) – Jayton Gibson 2, Gabe Waldron 2, Brennan Carpenter, Charter Cottrell, Lance Grogg.

Sacks (3) – Jayton Gibson, Adam Hughes, Tyler Nelson

Blocked Punt – Tyler Nelson

Blocked Extra Points (2) – Tyler Nelson (2)

Onside Kick Recovery – Jayton Gibson

Tackles (solo-assisted-total) – Adam Hughes (13-52-65), Trenton Nelson (15-48-63), Owen Taylor (37-25-62), Tyler Nelson (18-39-57), Landon Hardway (12-45-57), Jayton Gibson (18-35-53), Logan Tingler (11-37-48), Landon Richards (4-36-40), Rome Riddel (3-23-26), Gabe Waldron (5-12-17), Charter Cottrell (4-12-16), Brennan Carpenter (4-9-13), Preston McCumbers (2-9-11), Caden Jones (1-9-10), Orion Swearingen (3-6-9), Joe Nelson (0-5-5), Dylan Buckius (1-3-4), Kristian Fredrick (0-3-3), Eli Bailey (0-2-2), Joe Sampson (2-0-2), Noah Butler (0-1-1). Totals: 153-411-564

FUMBLES-lost

Calhoun	44-25
Opponents	23-7

INDIVIDUAL SCORING

	R	P	EP	K	O	Tot.
Jayton Gibson	8	3	1	0	0	68
B. Carpenter	0	1	1	0	0	8
Tyler Nelson	1	0	1	0	0	8
Owen Taylor	1	0	1	0	0	8
Logan Tingler	0	1	0	0	0	6
Gabe Waldron	0	0	0	3	0	3
Total	10	5	4	3	0	101
Opp	39	17	11	35	10	455

Waldron: 3-of-7 extra points

Adam Hughes: 0-of-1 extra pts.

TEAM SCORING (by quarters)

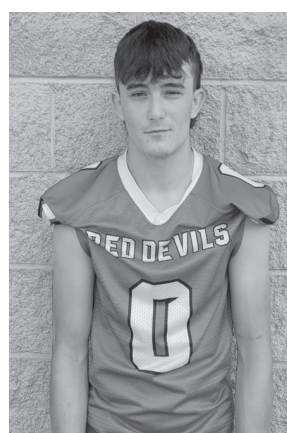
Calhoun	6	21	42	32-101
Opp.	171	128	100	56-455

SEASON RESULTS (1-9)

Calhoun	6	Gilmer County	50	L
Calhoun	25	Valley Wetzel	34	L
Calhoun	7	Tyler Cons.	49	L
Calhoun	20	Wahama	56	L
Calhoun	0	Saint Marys	55	L
Calhoun	7	Williamstown	62	L
Calhoun	0	Wirt County	52	L
Calhoun	8	So. Harrison	30	L
Calhoun	22	Webster Co.	38	L
Calhoun	6	Madonna	29	L



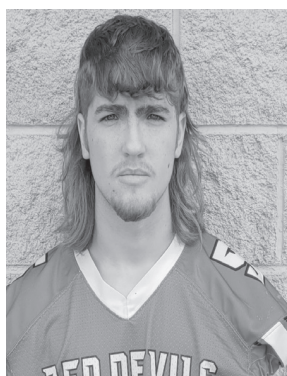
Jayton Gibson



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Jobe Loudin



Trenton Nelson



Tyler Nelson



Owen Taylor



Gabe Waldron



Career Statistical Notes:

Owen Taylor finished his career with 1631 yards passing, ranking him 5th all-time in that category behind Adam Parsons (3034), Matt Houchin (2989), Logan Moore (2765), and Casey Ritchie (1893). He started 29 games at quarterback, also the 5th best career total in school history. The others in the top 5 are Jason Stevens (33), Matt Houchin (32), Adam Parsons and Mike Batten (30). Taylor also had 9 career interceptions as a defensive back, tying him with Brian Evans for 5th all-time behind Rick Smith (18), Ethyn Miller (12), Justin Price and Matt Walker (11).

In addition to leading the team in rushing, Jayton Gibson completed 3 passes for 107 yards, the most yardage ever by a non-quarterback. Only Justin Price (125 yards on 5 completions over a three-year span) has more career yards on halfback passes.

Tyler Nelson blocked two extra point attempts this season, making him one of only of 10 players to have blocked multiple attempts in his career. The others are Brian Stump (3.5), Evan Cunningham and Daniel Smith (3), Clayton Barnhart, Dwayne Bischoff, Charles Gibson, Logan Moore, and Josh Ramsey.

Calhoun Middle High School Football - Senior Football Roster

Name	#	Yr	Off	Def	Hgt	Wght
Jayton Gibson	20	12	RB	LB	5'08	193
Adam Hughes	0	12	RB	LB	5'07	144
Caden Jones	70	12	OL	DL	6'02	226
Jobe Loudin	55	12	OL	DL	5'08	178
Preston McCumbers	21	12	RB	DB	5'08	169
Trenton Nelson	2	12	OL	DL	5'10	227
Tyler Nelson	48	12	RB	DL	5'10	215
Owen Taylor	14	12	RB	DB	5'08	153
Gabe Waldron	6	12	RB	DB	5'04	112
Noah Butler	66	11	OL	DB	5'05	138
Landon Richards	50	11	OL	DL	5'11	240
Joe Sampson	99	11	OL	DL	5'06	230
Logan Tingler	87	11	OL	DL	5'09	174
Katie Dooley	9	10	WR	DB	5'01	108
Landon Hardway	56	10	OL	DB	5'04	147
Joseph Nelson	10	10	RB	LB	5'04	145
Haideen Staton	81	10	OL	LB	6'00	159
Eli Bailey	3	9	WR	DB	5'05	133
Brennan Carpenter	7	9	QB	DB	5'07	152
Charter Cottrell	23	9	RB	DD	5'03	118
Kristian Fredrick	64	9	OL	DL	5'06	155
Lance Grogg	88	9	WR	DB	5'08	110
Michael Holmes	60	9	OL	DL	5'05	178
Rome Riddle	54	9	OL	LB	5'06	179
Orion Swearingen	77	9	OL	DL	5'05	167

CALHOUN COUNTY HS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

2023

2024



<u>NOV. 30</u>	VS RITCHIE COUNTY (SCRIMMAGE)	6:00 PM
<u>DEC. 2</u>	AT TYGART'S VALLEY (SCRIMMAGE)	4:00 PM
<u>DEC. 5</u>	AT WEBSTER COUNTY	7:30 PM
<u>DEC. 8</u>	VS SOUTH HARRISON	7:00 PM
<u>DEC. 12</u>	VS DODDRIDGE COUNTY	7:00 PM
<u>DEC. 15</u>	AT VALLEY WETZEL	7:00 PM
<u>DEC. 20</u>	VS GILMER COUNTY	7:00 PM
<u>DEC. 22</u>	VS ROANE COUNTY	7:00 PM
<u>DEC. 27</u>	AT WIRT COUNTY	7:00 PM
<u>JAN. 5</u>	AT VAN	7:00 PM
<u>JAN. 9</u>	AT PARKERSBURG CATHOLIC	7:00 PM
<u>JAN. 12</u>	VS BRAXTON COUNTY	7:00 PM
<u>JAN. 19</u>	AT PADEN CITY	7:00 PM
<u>JAN. 23</u>	AT DODDRIDGE COUNTY	7:00 PM
<u>JAN. 26</u>	VS VAN	7:00 PM
<u>JAN. 31</u>	AT GILMER COUNTY	7:00 PM
<u>FEB. 2</u>	VS VALLEY WETZEL	7:00 PM
<u>FEB. 5</u>	AT CLAY COUNTY	7:00 PM
<u>FEB. 7</u>	AT SOUTH HARRISON	7:00 PM
<u>FEB. 10</u>	VS PADEN CITY	7:00 PM
<u>FEB. 13</u>	AT HANNAN	7:00 PM
<u>FEB. 15</u>	LKC PLACEMENT GAME	TBA
<u>FEB. 17</u>	LKC NIGHT OF CHAMPIONS	TBA
<u>FEB. 19</u>	VS CLAY COUNTY	7:00 PM
<u>FEB. 20</u>	VS HANNAN	7:00 PM

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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.

435 High Street, Grantsville -- In the 1930s, they built them to last! This beautiful 4-bedroom, 1.5-bathroom brick home sits in downtown Grantsville. Original hardwood floors, oak steps/hand railings and 6 fireplaces! (Currently housing gas space heaters.) On the main level, you have a living room, family room, kitchen, dining room, sunroom, mud room, and half bath. Upstairs, you will find all 4 bedrooms and a full bathroom. Inside the main bedroom there is a huge walk-in closet and a normal closet with a window that overlooks the Koi Pond in the side yard. Almost all windows have been replaced with new vinyl windows. Washer and dryer are in the basement. Have children or animals? The private back yard has a brand-new privacy fence that was installed in 2021. This property is on street city parking or you can use one of the 2 off-street single car garages. If you are looking for that historic-style home, with a small-town feel, this is it! This home is conveniently located across the street from a 24/7 critical access hospital and within walking distance to a few stores, restaurants and more! \$199,900. Price Reduced to \$189,900.

256 Carroll Road, Big Bend -- 1.21 Acres +/- . Looking for your very own fishing camp or mini-RV camp? This 1.21-acre lot with 30 amp hookups with water and septic in place may be what you're looking for. This river camp comes with a large storage shed to store all your camp necessities and toys. Site also has a metal carport that can be used for vehicle cover or picnic tables. So, if you're looking for a place to just get away or maybe a way to make some extra income, this camp has loads of potential. Also, with today's housing costs, you could live cheap with your own RV on this site. Located next to the property is a natural gas compressor that does make noise when turned on. \$34,900. Make an Offer.

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You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the following real estate, **Cert. No. 2022-C-000012**, located in CENTER District, 1/4 33 YELLOW, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of SNIDER VIRGIL, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of CALHOUN County at the sale for the delinquent taxes on April 21, 2023. EDCO MINERALS LLC requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after March 25, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before March 24, 2024, will be as follows:

Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 3003.	\$ 88.21
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due on the date of certification for ticket number	\$ 0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 2962.	\$ 23.28
Additional taxes with interest.	\$ 0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 121.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 346.88
Additional Statutory Fees with interest.	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due and Payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$ 579.97

You may redeem at any time before March 24, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.

Given under my hand October 26, 2023

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Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and

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Amount equal to the taxes and charges due on the date of the certification, with interest, for tax year ticket number 2021 - 22442.	\$ 88.21
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Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest.	\$ 121.60
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest.	\$ 220.49
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LEGAL NOTICE --

The Calhoun County Commission is accepting applications for members for the Pleasant Hill Public Service Board. Interested individuals may email President Craig Arthur at caarthur_3@yahoo.com or the County Clerk at calhounclerk@gmail.com.

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Autumn Leaves

By Linda Crawford

My son recently sent me a CD of American music from the 1920's to the 40's which had become popular in France. The only peace familiar to me was "Autumn Leaves." The instrumental version sounds like background for real leaves waltzing, skipping and cartwheeling to the ground. My October calendar has only. "Columbus Day", my daughter-in-love's birthday and watching the season end and descend like ransom thoughts from the tree branches. So far the leaves have seemed to slip to the ground only evidenced by the bare branches. Soon wind and/or rain will bring what is left, down and the trees will be entirely bare.

In this same month in 1917 Russia experience the Bolshevik Revolution which ushered in Communism. One of my vivid memories in the early 1960's is Nikita Khrushchev pounding the podium with his shoe and declaring "We will bury without a shot." Like random bare branches there have been evidence of the ideology by it's many names. The temptation of Eve was "pleasant to the eye, good for food and desired to make one wise "Communism presents itself in ways that make it seem desirable - things people need, want and look good.

The beautiful thought we can take away from fall is God Himself started the "Compost" idea, replenishing the trees. We are seriously dependent on trees and other plants for using up the carbon dioxide and producing the very oxygen we breathe and depend on. God created an earth that supplies our need. For Us! 1 Corinthians 7:31 "they that use this world as not abusing it: for the fashion of this world passeth away."

Attorney General Winsome Sears in Virginia has said her father arrived in the United States with less than a dollar. She also said we have to take care of America because there is nowhere else to go.

I think it was President Reagan who said we are always one generation away from losing our freedom.

Waste Not/Want Not - November 2023

By Judy Wolfram

It's November and time for all that food everybody seems to think they need for Thanksgiving. A few weeks later they wonder why their jeans fit like a second skin. Hmmm. I know why! So let's change this food list to save money and to save our hips.

Turkey is fine. It's actually fairly inexpensive and good for you. Don't eat the skin or very much dark meat, the white meat has less fat. You don't need stuffing. Just bake the turkey plain. Yams will do in the place of mashed potatoes and gravy, which have loads of fat. Bake the yams and just add a tad of butter. Ditch the brown sugar. You really don't need it.

For vegetables, eat anything you like. Slice some tomatoes or cook some spinach or make raw spinach salad. Asparagus and kale can be cooked or served raw on a plate with greentail onions and raw cauliflower. Add some cut green peppers and make a low fat dip. Or, instead of yams, bake some squash.

Instead of pies and cakes, fix a fruit platter for dessert. Slice some bananas, kiwi, cantaloupe and papaya if available. If not, have bowls of thawed blueberries and strawberries or red and black raspberries.

Add a dab of low-fat whipped topping or yogurt to the top. Canned peaches or pineapple with less sugar are good for dessert too. Dried apricots, peaches and cranberries can be put out in bowls as snacks.

Sliced apples with a caramel dip are always good. Make sure you have cranberry sauce (jellied or whole) with your meal, it's rich in Vitamin C.

You don't have to spend a lot of money or consume unnecessary calories to have a Thanksgiving dinner.

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Fiona's 2nd Floor of Gift Wrap and More - Dec. 1st

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EVENTS PAGE

Upper West Fork Park Events

Upper West Fork Park meetings are held the second Tues. of each month at 6 p.m. Scheduled events are as follows (Saturday sings are 7 to 10 p.m., doors open at 4:30 p.m., kitchen opens at 5 p.m.): Nov. 18: Stephanie & the Band of Brothers (Mark IV); Nov. 25: Dixie Highway; Dec. 2: Thanksgiving/Christmas Dinner - Stephanie & the Band of Brothers (Mark IV) will be performing that evening; Dec. 9: Ruff Cut; Dec. 16: Frank Conn & Partners; Dec. 23: Dixie Highway and Dec. 30: Flannel



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West Central Beekeeper's Association

The West Central Beekeeper's Association will meet at the old Arnoldsburg Elementary School, Spring Run Road Arnoldsburg, WV (Calhoun County), the fourth Saturday of each month at 1:00 p.m.

Tire Collection

Tire collection will be held the third Friday of each month, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Cabot Recycling Station, west of Grantsville on Rt. 5. Tires accepted free of charge. Tires on wheels will not be accepted. Only car, ATV, and light truck tires, 16-inches or less, accepted, with a limit of 10 tires per person, open to residents of Calhoun only. Bring valid W.Va. ID. Sponsored by W. Va. DEP and Calhoun Solid Waste Authority.

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Children's Crisis



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Broomstick Cemetery Needs Donations

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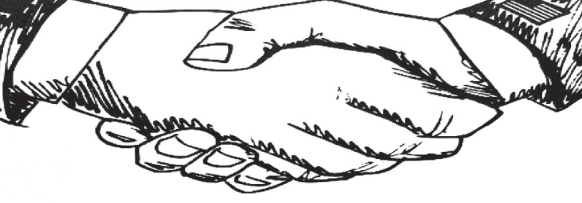
Donations are needed for the upkeep of the Freed Cemetery, located in Calhoun County off of the Leading Creek Road. Please send donations to Rickie Murphy, P.O. Box 55 Macfarlan, WV 26148. Make checks payable to Freed Cemetery. Thank you!

Liberty Hill Cemetery News

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Prevent Suicide

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Civil Air Patrol

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Calhoun County High School Alumni Association

Contact Information
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MANCHIN: I WILL NOT SEEK RE-ELECTION, I WILL FIGHT TO UNITE THE MIDDLE

November 9th: Washington, DC – Today, U.S. Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) released the following message announcing he will not seek re-election to the United States Senate.

My father, John Manchin owned a furniture store in Farmington, WV, a small coal mining town of hard-working people. And one day, our local state representative came in and asked dad for a favor saying, “You owe me for all the things I’ve done for your little town.”

When the man left, I turned to my dad and said, “Now wait a minute, isn’t helping Farmington that man’s job?”

That moment defined the difference between self-service and public service. When I told my dad that I was going to run for office, he said, “Politics is a bad business, son, I’m telling you right now. Stay out of it.”

I didn’t disagree that often with my father but that time I did.

I reminded him of the famous line from President John F. Kennedy’s inaugural address, “Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country.” I was 13 when I first heard it and I’m still inspired by it.

My family were devoted Catholics who immigrated from Italy and Czechoslovakia. So, to us, President Kennedy was held in the highest regard, and I knew President Kennedy’s words would sway my dad.

It took him a minute, but my dad said that he would support me running if I made a vow to serve all people - friend or foe, and not just myself.

The promise that I made to my dad all those years ago has been my north-star. I’ve never cared about where good ideas came from and I never blamed one side for creating a problem nor believed only one side could fix them.

When America is at her best, we get things done by putting country before party, working across the aisle and finding common ground. Many times, this approach has landed me in hot water, but the fight to unite has been well worth it.

Today, West Virginia is attracting more investment, opportunity and jobs than it has in decades. Here at home and across the country we are building more roads, bridges, manufacturing plants and energy infrastructure than almost any time in American history.

After months of deliberation and long conversations with my family, I believe in my heart of hearts that I have accomplished what I set out to do for West Virginia. I have made one of the toughest decisions of my life and decided that I will not be running for re-election to the United States Senate, but what I will be doing is traveling the country and speaking out to see if there is an interest in creating a movement to mobilize the middle and bring Americans together.

To the West Virginians who have put their trust in me and fought side by side to make our state better – it has been an honor of my life to serve you. Thank you.

Every incentive in Washington is designed to make our politics extreme. The growing divide between Democrats and Republicans is paralyzing Congress and worsening our nation’s problems. The majority of Americans are just plain worn out.

Our economy is not working for many Americans from the rising cost of food and fuel and everything in between. We have a border crisis with illegal drugs entering our country and killing Americans every day. Our national debt is out of control and Americans don’t feel safe in their own communities.

We are providing critical aid to two of our allies fighting wars for their survival, and we must prevent being pulled into a major war ourselves. These are not Republican or Democratic challenges. They are American challenges. They affect every one of us, and we need to face them together.

I know our country isn’t as divided as Washington wants us to believe. We share common values of family, freedom, democracy, dignity and a belief that together we can overcome any challenge. We need to take back America and not let this divisive hatred further pull us apart.

Public service has and continues to drive me every day. That is the vow that I made to my father 40 years ago, and I intend to keep that vow until my dying day.

May God Bless America, the great state of West Virginia and each and every one of you.

Boys State Recruitment Underway

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Weston, WV - The American Legion Mountaineer Boys State (ALMBS) is thrilled to announce the commencement of its recruitment drive for the 85th session, scheduled to take place from June 11 to June 17, 2024, at West Virginia University Jackson’s Mill. ALMBS, renowned as “West Virginia’s premier Leadership Academy,” is now actively seeking enthusiastic young men from across West Virginia to participate in an immersive week of learning and growth.

Established in 1936, ALMBS is dedicated to educating and training West Virginia’s youth in the democratic republic form of government, emphasizing the importance of our nation’s most cherished freedoms. With the guidance and sponsorship of The American Legion, the largest wartime veteran’s service organization, ALMBS nurtures and mentors the leaders of tomorrow, promoting patriotism, honor, and civic engagement.

The program offers a transformative experience that shapes the lives of its participants, providing them with numerous benefits that last a lifetime. Beyond gaining a comprehensive understanding of their rights, privileges, duties, and responsibilities as franchised citizens, attendees have the opportunity to apply for scholarships, accumulate extra merit points for admission to military service academies, and build a diverse network of connections across the state. Over its 84-year history, The American Legion Mountaineer Boys State has empowered approximately 31,000 individuals with the tools for success.

ALMBS is hoping to have representation from all 55 counties to continue to build local leaders throughout the entire state of West Virginia.

To learn more about The American Legion Mountaineer Boys State and to apply for this life-changing experience, please visit our official website at <https://wvboysstate.org>. For inquiries, interested individuals may contact their local American Legion Post, their high school guidance counselor, or The American Legion Department of West Virginia Headquarters at <https://wvlegion.org>. Are you ready to be part of the “Men of Tomorrow”?

The American Legion also extends its gratitude to all those who generously contribute to these programs each year. The success of ALMBS and similar initiatives relies on the support of local businesses, individuals, and community-minded organizations. Those interested in sponsoring a future “Citizen” can contact their local American Legion Post. Currently, the sponsorship cost for the Boys State program is \$350. Recruitment efforts will continue until all available slots are filled. The American Legion deeply appreciates the support of communities throughout the state, and we salute you!

The American Legion Auxiliary holds the American Legion Auxiliary Rhododendron Girls State (ALARGS) program at Davis & Elkins College for those female juniors who are interested in a similar program; more information on ALARGS can be found at <https://wvgirlsstate.org>.

Fellowship Program at Fairmont State Supports First Generation Students

The Datha and Gene Smith Fellowship has begun accepting applications for next year’s program. Established in 2022, the fellowship continues the Smiths’ legacy of helping first generation students make the transition from high school to college.

Last year’s inaugural fellowship successfully guided four high school seniors into their freshman year at Fairmont State. This year, 17 students have been named fellows.

First-generation students have unique challenges. While they may have support from their families, they may also feel some reluctance to leave the promise of a job when they complete high school.

Fellowships differ from scholarships as they provide long-term support, rather than one-time financial dispersals. Students in the Datha and Gene Smith Fellowship & Summer Bridge Program are bolstered throughout their college careers.

Once selected, fellows begin their program with a mandatory bridge program, a five-day stay at Fairmont State during the summer. This bridge program gives fellows an indispensable link from high school to college with the aim to reduce the anxiety that comes with the transition. It gives these students a positive jump-start to college life. A fellowship coordinator ensures that students receive ongoing support, which includes time to socialize with other fellows.

Throughout the five-day summer bridge, fellows live on campus, which helps them gain familiarity with the university’s layout. They have the opportunity to talk with advisors, meet other students and learn about academic studies—all in a relaxed setting.

Next year’s summer bridge program runs July 6-11, 2024.

“Bridge week happens over the summer, so the fellows get to know each other before classes start,” said Marissa Mauro, Fairmont State Foundation Director of Development for Annual Giving and Stewardship. “They develop new friendships and build a community of camaraderie.”

While bridge programs vary at different universities, Fairmont State’s main goal is to reduce the barriers that intimidate high school students from going to college.

In past generations, a post-secondary degree didn’t always matter. Young people attained fulfilling work and stayed with one company for their entire working lives. On the job training was common, and it gave promising employees opportunities for advancement.

Today’s job market is different. According to the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities, income disparity between college graduates and high school graduates starts early. While still in their 20s, college graduates can expect to earn on average \$20,000 more per year than high school graduates.

Those numbers add up. Over the course of a lifetime, college graduates earn \$1 million more than those without a degree.

West Virginia’s goal is to have 60 percent of its adult population attain a college degree or other type of credentialed education by 2030. Right now, fewer than one-third of West Virginians have any of these credentials.

Fairmont State’s commitment to first generation students is evident in its numbers. Since 2012, nearly 40 percent of the university’s graduates have been first generation students. Forty-three percent of Fairmont State’s current freshmen are first generation students.

“As a first-generation West Virginia college student, I understand the challenges of being the first in your family to attend college,” Interim Vice President of Student Success Alicia Kalka said. “My family was highly supportive of me going to college and planted that seed into me at a very young age. We had to learn together the process of enrolling and all the resources that I needed to be successful. If I had attended a summer bridge program like this, I think my transition would have been easier. I am so proud of our Datha and Gene program because we are providing a true bridge for first generation students from West Virginia and access into post-secondary education.”

Although neither Gene nor Datha Smith pursued a post-secondary education, they saw its value. In 2005, the Smiths established a foundation to help first generation students. Since then, the Smiths have passed, but their children have carried on their parents’ legacy by founding this recent fellowship.

“Fairmont State is here to ensure that our first-generation students know there is a way, and we are here to help them reach their dream of going to college,” Kalka said. “As a university, we are mission driven to educate and prepare people for the workforce. When we achieve this, we’re contributing to West Virginia as a whole.”

It is through this fellowship that students are able to achieve their goals of a four-year degree. Because the fellowship covers many of the costs to attend Fairmont State, fellows are able to focus on academics rather than a future with inordinate student debt.

“I’ve watched the students gain confidence as they make the transition to college life,” said Erin Hohl, Coordinator of the Datha and Gene Smith Fellowship. “The fellows know they are showing their potential to do something life-changing for themselves after going through the fellowship.”

Fellows Accepted into the 2024 Summer Bridge Program will: Reside in a residence hall; Go on excursions that include shopping and entertainment; Explore the region through outdoor adventure; Develop college-level study and test skills; Become familiar with Fairmont State’s resources to help students achieve success; Foster mental and physical well-being; Meet advisors and mentors; Schedule classes and attend orientation for fall semester and Make friends and have fun.

Requirements to Apply for the Datha and Gene Smith Fellowship: West Virginia resident; First-generation college attendee; Achieve a 2.5 cumulative high school GPA; Acceptance to Fairmont State (to apply, go to www.fairmontstate.edu/admit) and Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To apply, go to www.fairmontstate.edu/smithfellowsapp. The deadline to apply is March 1, 2024. Contact: Keely Stiles, Fairmont State University, Digital Content Specialist, Office: 304-367-4891 or E-mail: kstiles@fairmontstate.edu

LIGHT POST CONTEST

THE CALHOUN CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION COMMITTEE IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE WILL BE HAVING A LAMP POST DECORATION CONTEST.

THE LAMPPOSTS ARE LOCATED AROUND THE COURTHOUSE.

THERE IS ONLY 8 AVAILABLE SO GET YOUR APPLICATIONS IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

ALL LAMPPOSTS MUST BE DECORATED BY NOVEMBER 27TH AND REMOVED BY JANUARY 6TH.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

CONTEST RULES:

Any business, organization or individual is invited to decorate any lamp post around the Calhoun County Courthouse. Decorations should be Christmas themed in good taste. No offensive decorations allowed.

Decorations cannot in any way deface or harm the physical structure or surface of lamp post. Zip ties work best.

All poles have electrical outlets.

No large signs can be hung from the post from half way up or higher.

All signage must be at the base of the post.

Decorations must appear from November 27th 2023 and be removed by January 6th, 2024.

Entrants are responsible for removal of their own decorations.

Judging of the contest will be done by the

Calhoun Christmas Celebration Committee on December 15th, 2023.

The Committee reserves the right to remove any decorations deemed inappropriate.



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for the hiring of Anna Stevens as deputy and would look to transfer funding again in the future to cover uniforms and other needs as his department grows. He provided a list of equipment need to the Commission.

Shelia Burch of the the Little Kanawha Area Development Corporation spoke to the commisioners, encouraging them to look further into the ordinances of dilapidated structures for the purpose of receiving grant funding. Roane currently has an ordinance which she will provide examples of to the Commission.

Mt. Zion resident, Danielle Wilson, spoke at length to the commission as an advocate for the concerns of citizens in the vicinity of the site recently purchased by the Calhoun Commission for the location of an Animal Shelter. The property located a short distance down Country Lane on Mt. Zion is in a highly populated area, including Mrs. Wilson's family. She questioned who might have benefited from the sale of the property. Wilson told the Commission that the shelter was voted on and determined without public notification and without the disclosure of where it would be located until after the purchase was made.

Commissioner Helmick denied that fact saying that the Commission had disclosed the location. After the meeting over, I looked back through previous meeting notes and only found one mention prior to their purchase as at the June Commission meeting when it was said the property was being considered and was located in the area of Mt. Zion. It was later reported by the Ridgeview News with the actual location of the property. It was mentioned by Commissioner Helmick that previous Commissioner President Matt Walker is the one who dealt with the purchase of the property after consulting with individuals from Ritchie County Shelter who informed him it was a good location. Mrs. Wilson's major concern is her autistic child and the reaction he has to noise. She believes that the location of the Shelter will be detrimental to her son's health and has offered to buy the property, allowing the Commission to look for a more suitable location. She is not opposed to the Animal Shelter, just the proposed location.

Judy Hall, who also lives in neighborhood expressed concern about the noise, dangers of animals getting loose and the smell that would plummet property values. The Commissioners agreed to look further at the situation. Helmick saying that once the board gets created, the money and funding will be determined. He said that it was Matt Walker who had brought Ritchie County Animal Shelter staff to view the property who said it was suitable. However it has now been determined that it may not have passed inspection and that no one was aware of the sale strategies, except Matt Walker. Helmick also said that he didn't "think Matt meant for it to be a secret."

Business Eric Lupardus thanked Danielle for bringing it to the public's attention and asked the Commission if maybe the industrial park would be a possible location. When pressed further on the matter Commissioner Helmick said "I want to represent people who represent me."

An EMS salary enhancement fund was established and passed. Fund 323 is a separate fund for an Opioid settlement the county had entered into.

Mt. Zion PSD recent audit was questioned by Commissioner Roger Propst to determine if action had been taken to correct matters that were flagged in the report. Ari White, Mt. Zion P.S.D. Board President said that the report was not "light reading," but from what he had determined, the issue was a reoccurring theme with organization in the county that were small and division of responsibilities were complicated. Commissioner Propst said that the Commission would work with the Mt. Zion PSD and others to have good water and a good rate structure. Commissioner Helmick had spoken with the water operator and the transmission has gone out on the truck that the Mt. Zion PSD was requesting a replacement for. He also noted that he was told it had not had a sticker for 5 years, two transmissions and it had a lot of rust on it.

Shelia Burch spoke up and said that the consolidation of the psd's would allow a better range of accountability and putting all those psd's together with more staff. She said that she did not know where the Consolidating plans were at, but Charlotte Lane was willing to come to the county and speak to the PSD's regarding the consolidation. Ari White responded that he had found that consolidation could multiple rather than solve problems.

A request by the Calhoun Composite Squadron Civil Air Patrol to hold a Wreaths Across America ceremony was accepted and passed by all Commissioners.

Alice Holmes of the Calhoun Music Conservatory updated the commission on her roofing issues which the Commission had, at last month's meeting, contributed \$2,000 to having done. Mrs. Holmes said that she had the contractor look at her roof again and it needed an additional \$6,000 in repairs. She requested the addition amount but it was delayed by the Commission. She also agreed to provide a copy of her 501c3 to the Commission to be put on file. Commissioner Propst questioned as to whether her property was owned by the non profit or her personally. Mrs. Holmes responded that she was informed it was okay if a building was privately owned, (which hers was) if the non profit received financial help for the building, leaving it up to the commission to determine what the lease should be for approval of funding. Roger told her that people have questioned their decision and that the Commission needs to look into the legality in giving money in this manner. Commissioner Craig Arthur, who attended by phone, was under the same opinion as Roger Propst that the commission should seek legal advice before entering into any further agreements of assistance for non profits. This included the Grantsville Lions Club as well and both matters were tabled.

Mt. Zion PSD requested \$58,000 in funding for a truck to replace their current service truck. The Commission approved up to \$60,000 to cover the current bidding on some online options. Once that is done the Commission will consider other funding requests by Mt. Zion totaling \$18,000 for a box trailer and costs of two recent audits. Helmick told the Mt. Zion PSD that they did not currently have a copy of the County's financials and would have to receive those before determining how much the county could commit.

Anita West of the West Fork Park requested \$2,500 once again for the purchase of gifts and food baskets during the Christmas season. The request was approved.

Teresa Overton, organizer of the Calhoun County Animal Shelter Project that has been a part of the 1982 Foundation's Boot Strap Project for many months, spoke to the Commission about the progress made their group in work toward establishing a committee to oversee the Animal Shelter.

The group is working toward establishing a 501c3 giving them nonprofit status and getting registered with the WV Secretary of State's office. In addition they are working on a mission statement and bylaws. The group presented a list of names and titles to be held to the Commission for consideration: President, Teresa Overton; Vice President, Tessa Batten; Secretary, Jane Carpenter; Treasurer, Jason Cunningham; Rescue Coordinator, Patty Laughlin; Fundraising Coordinator, Melissa West and rant Writer, Jim Morgan. With the the recommendation of Kevin Helmick, Danielle Wilson was added as the Community Liaison. The question is still on the table as to what role the Calhoun County Commission will play in the Operation of the Calhoun County Animal Shelter.

Overton told the crowd that many volunteers will be needed and she encouraged everyone, especially the Commissioners to attend the organizational meeting on Wednesday, November 15th at 6:00 p.m. in the Calhoun County Library.



Who is Nate Cain?

By Melissa West

Nate Cain is a U.S. Army veteran and has traveled the world with his family due to military service. He continued to serve his country as a U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps civil servant and defense contractor in cybersecurity engineering for over two decades.

Nate has roots in the Appalachia, where his family were coal miners and farmers. He chose to settle his family in West Virginia, so they could enjoy the greatest level of freedom and a life surrounded by the beauty of God's country. He feels a connection with a community of folks who value God, family, and country and where the 2nd amendment is not infringed. upon.

Nate believes that our greatest success as a country stems from its foundation in God. His personal relationship with Jesus Christ, whom he came to know as a teenager, has been the strongest influence of his life. He boldly speaks about the importance of faith in God and recognizes the problems we face in our country and in our families that cannot be solved by human intervention alone. It requires the grace of God.

In Nate's career as a cybersecurity expert of 26 years, he has worked for the Army, Navy, Marines, Defense Information Systems Agency, National Security Agency, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Drug Enforcement Administration, receiving medals and service commendations in several positions. Nate has taken the oath three times, once as a soldier and twice as a Department of Defense civilian. He has held and still holds a Top Secret security clearance for 25 of those years, having been entrusted with the protection and security of the Nation and its secrets. Nate has grown in his relationship with the Lord throughout the years and, though a fallible human being and despite the difficulties of life, he has always returned to the principles he learned through his faith. His integrity and commitment to telling the truth in difficult circumstances has come at great personal cost to both him and his family, but he has no regrets, and the Lord has used those trials to strengthen his faith.

In 2017 while working at the FBI, he discovered that leadership at the Bureau and in the DOJ were refusing to pursue open case files on Hillary Rodham Clinton and the Clinton Foundation, effectively obstructing justice relating to Uranium 1 and many other matters. Suppressing highly credible evidence in their possession of a national security issue of urgent concern, the FBI took sides in the 2016 election, determined to falsely paint Donald Trump as a Russian operative and running cover for Hillary Clinton's Russian-related crimes. Nate could not ignore this grave injustice and, after much prayer, decided to blow the whistle through the DOJ Inspector General's office, the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI) and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI). Several months after blowing the whistle the FBI retaliated by violating his civil rights through unconstitutional surveillance and then raided his home, confiscating his personal property, victimizing his family through intimidation and a vicious smear campaign. The FBI leaked his identity to the press with misinformation in an attempt to destroy his reputation and silence him. Five years later, after incurring financial losses, attacks on his character, and suffering serious injury to his career, he was never charged with a crime nor had a single suspension to his clearance. It was all a sham investigation to cover for the deeply corrupt Clinton machine. It was only through his faith in God and the support of his family, friends, and colleagues who knew him that he survived and recovered.

After Nate's service to his country as a whistleblower, he was called on once again by Trump's White House to assist with election integrity investigations after the 2020 election. He took a leave of absence from his job for two months without pay and dedicated himself to STOP THE STEAL by working day and night under the pressure of an impending and quickly approaching certification of the electors. Nate provided expert witness testimony in multiple federal lawsuits, where he witnessed first-hand the corruption of our courts, many who refused to allow evidentiary hearings in several cases where there was clear evidence of multiple felony violations of federal law. These irregularities were never addressed in 2020 and came back to resurface in 2022, causing continued chaos and distrust in our elections in states like Arizona, Georgia, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania. He has continued to fight for election integrity and voting systems security.

Nate believes in the power of the free-market system and has been willing to take the required risks to be successful as an entrepreneur. After the Biden administration's vaccine mandate put pressure on his employer to enforce compliance, Nate founded a cybersecurity company of his own, which has provided high-paying jobs to over a dozen people working on various projects. After his whistleblowing trials, God blessed Nate and his family with business success and a home in Hedgesville, Berkeley County, WV. Even given the stability and success he has recently experienced, Nate is willing to again risk it all to run for Congress in what is sure to be a difficult campaign against the West Virginia political establishment. Other than a city council seat in a very small township in Pennsylvania, Nate is an outsider to political office, currently has no establishment machine or major donors behind him, does not come from a politically connected family, and has never worked as part of the DC Swamp. Nate is an underdog candidate and is willing to throw punches against the Goliaths of government, which is just the way Mountaineers like their fighters.

Nate is running for Congress in the W.V. 2nd District which consists of the northern half of the state. It contains Barbour, Berkeley, Brooke, Doddridge, Grant, Hampshire, Hancock, Hardy, Harrison, Jefferson, Lewis, Marion, Marshall, Mineral, Monongalia, Morgan, Ohio, Pleasants, Preston, Randolph, Ritchie, Taylor, Tucker, Tyler, Upshur, Wetzel, and Wood counties.

Although he would not represent Calhoun County if elected, he is very interested in touring our community to see how the citizens are pulling together



to hold elected officials accountable for their actions, so he can use the knowledge to assist other communities.

He is busy traveling the State of WV. He is working on legislation for parental rights.

If you would like to learn more about Nate Cain please visit his website at <https://natecain4wv.com/>

Nate Cain would be a tremendous asset to the 27 counties in WV District 2, as well as the entire State of W.V. with his values and experience. He is what we need to make WV better for everyone.