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Mt. Zion PSD December Meeting

By Shari Johnson

Mt. Zion PSD Board members, President Ari White, Treasurer Anita West and Member Robin Hughes held their regular monthly meeting on December 3, 2023.

Before the approval of the November meeting minutes, Ari White requested that a correction be made to his statement regarding the West Virginia Department of Highways in Calhoun. In the October meeting it was mistakenly said that Calhoun had received scrutiny from the EPA because they'd done things incorrectly on a culvert/bridge repair. What had happened was, the Calhoun Department was using extreme caution because another county had done something that brought EPA scrutiny. No mistake was made in Calhoun county and the minutes were changed to reflect that.

Mark Sankoff of Potesta Engineering reported to the board that their firm was continuing the current PSD Project design, waiting for news from the Army Corps of Engineers. He had reviewed the video from the water tank done in the previous months and was working toward laying out the design for the water line.

Fred Hypes of Dun/Thrasher Engineering reported that their firms project Specs had been submitted to the DEP and he was working with Jim Kelsh on The Mt. Zion pump station to be enlarged. In this process he was making sure the Arnoldsburg Park board and the Mt. Zion Public Service District are on the same page when working on the sewer system and what it will look like at the end.

Another project is the location of manholes which have been buried over time. A GPS is being used to locate the manholes so they can be dug out and brought up to surface depending upon the need so that operator Jeremy Westfall can get in them when necessary.

Newly appointed representative for the Mid Ohio Valley Regional Council – Caroline Stewart – attended her first Mt. Zion PSD meeting stating that she would be pretty transparent about the turn over within the MOVRC. She reported that she had talked to people about the sewer and water update and will have a meeting with Lesley Stone later this week.

Ari White provided the following President's Report: He is still working on the software issues and will contact tech support to get it working. Since last month they have acquired a dump truck, allowing the PSD to put dry soil back in the work areas, and pull the backhoe without damaging their vehicle. With a commission request for further funding, we can hopefully have a truck that will pass inspection. With the approved funding for a trailer, Ari has been speaking with a dealer and trying to find one worth the price and the fuel to pick it up

Regarding a Calhoun homes meter/hydrant issue, Mike Hersman of the West Virginia Rural Water Association informed the board that he had tested the meter for flow and it did not show enough pressure to register. After the hydrant was flushed of “gunk” building up, Ronnie Brown, Maintenance Department for Calhoun Homes stated that the pressure appeared to be some better. Hersman will return for testing and possibly the Town of Grantsville will assist in the

A Water supply agreement that had been presented by the Town of Grantsville was accepted as is and will be returned to the Town office. A debit cards from Calhoun Banks will be provided to Jeremy Westfall, Operator to make expenditures for the PSD. An ethics complaint filed by Stephanie Good has been dismissed and the PSD wanted the acknowledgment made. The next meeting will be on January 8th, 2024 at 2 p.m.

Pleasant Hill PSD December Meeting

By Shari Johnson

Pleasant Hill PSD met for their December Board meeting in the Board Room of the Town of Grantsville, on December 4th, 2023. Board members present were Tammy Yoak, President, Allen Dawson, Treasurer and newly appointed Board Member, Tony Arthur.

Caroline Stewart, who replaced Luke Peters at the Mid Ohio Valley Regional Council attended her first meeting informing the board that she had spoken to Stephanie Good regarding the Norman Ridge project and was tracking the petition for the Annamoriah project.

PSD Operator Jacob Bunner reported that the handheld unit for reading meters had been set up and he was waiting for mapping on the laptop side of the meter project. They can currently replace up to 60+ meters and have 3 active meters in the ground from the new meters without experiencing any glitches.

A 24 hour shut off policy with fee changes will be put into place. On December 4th there were 22 shut offs slated to be done in the system. Allen Dawson recommended that they check with the WV Public Service Commission to make sure that their policy change was acceptable regarding a recurring fee to be charged to those who frequently have a shut off notice. Stephanie Good, Secretary said that she had looked into the procedure as done by other public service districts and it fine. A decision was made that a policy would be written and presented at the next board meeting.

The Pleasant Hill PSD hopes to soon have a website which would eventually have links for violations, forms and payments. It could possibly have links to upcoming projects, calendars with business events and more as the website progresses. A website tech will come and present how the website works.

Operator report: Jacob Bunner reported that the Leading Creek line is pressurized and there is still one spot that has an issue, a valve closed that cannot be found. He also informed the board that the Water quality parameters are finished. Pressure issues on Norman Ridge were reported by a customer in the area of Brookstick and Lavada Road. They currently have the area narrowed down to the last fork on that road. Leaf coverage is presenting an issue of being able to spot leaks along the road. A leak detection had been made by Mike Hersman of the WV Rural Water Association and it was repaired, but it has since built up pressure and broke again. It was a customer line that the PSD and accepted as their own at a later time. Bunner also reported that that multi size lines are creating an issue and they continue to do bandaid patches to solve issues. In closing he reported that the hydrants had been flushed and water quality testing was on time.

President Tammy Yoak gave each board member a “working copy” of an

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Panty Claus Visits Calhoun

By Melissa West



(Pictured Lori Fleagle-Domestic Violence, Jenny Fry-Panty Claus, Norma Jones, Teresa Overton and Teresa Persinger- Calhoun FRN)

Jenny Fry explained that Panty Claus delivers underwear, bras, and socks to shelters across the country. This year they were able to support 16 shelters including one in Puerto Rico. This year alone they were able to deliver over 10,000 items making it the largest year ever for donations.

Calhoun County Commission Meeting 12/11

By Melissa West

Calhoun County's regularly scheduled Commission meeting was held Monday, December 11th, 2023 with Commissioners Craig Arthur and Roger Propst present. Commissioner Kevin Helmick appeared by phone.

Under delegation, Aryeh White, Chairman of the Mt. Zion Public Service District, thanked the commission for the \$20,000 to purchase a Ford truck more suitable to the workload required by their operator. Mr. White informed the Commission that the Mt. Zion PSD was well below the \$60,000 expected to be spent and will return next month to request funding for an upgrade on the truck.

Kelli Barr, E911 Director reported to the Commission that she had received 9 applications for dispatcher, conducted 4 interviews (two of which she believed were hireable) and will conduct two more interviews in the future. Ms. Barr also informed the Commission that she had been questioned by current dispatchers as to why new hires were only making 10 cents per hour less than dispatchers with several years of service. After speaking with other Emergency Center Staff across the State about employee retention, Barr determined that she will conduct performance evaluations and determine raises accordingly.

Jason Wilson, of Minnie Hamilton Emergency Services reported that there were a total of 19 ALS transports, 21 BLS transports, 5 runs canceled Enroute, 4 DOA's, 15 refusals, 1 treated and transferred to Aeromedical, 3 treated and refused, 1 standby for a total of 68 runs. Minnie Hamilton EMS will have five additions to staff: Zach Bailey, Justin Bull, Carl Brannon, Kayla Butler and Mitchell McKown in varying positions. Minnie Hamilton has received a food distribution truck with 30-40,000 pounds of food to be distributed at the Arnoldsburg Park on Thursday, December 14th.

Sheriff Graham Knight reported that there were currently ten people on home confinement with more expected to be placed. There were a few that had to be removed for violations.

Sheriff Knight will have a new Chief Deputy on January 2nd, when retiring State Police Cpl. Jeffrey Hunt comes on board. Deputy Hannah Stephens has been accepted to the WV State Police academy for training and Sheriff Knight requested a 90 day extension for Deputy Charles Stephens.

Shelia Burch of the the Little Kanawha Area Development Corp. reported that the Small Business Saturday event was well attended and that she had provided shopping bags for area businesses. She noted that there were a few new businesses coming into the area and that she was currently working on a project with the USDA for the Little Kanawha River Trail to enhance communities along the River in Gilmer, Calhoun and Wirt counties. They are currently focusing on the infrastructure in the area due to safety concerns and the inability to contact emergency services with poor cell phone reception.

The Calhoun County Commission received \$10,000 to be deposited into Fund 41 for Fire Departments.

After several requests had been made by Non-Profits for funding assistance, Commissioner Roger Propst reached out to other counties to see what their protocol was for providing financial assistance to non governmental agencies. He spoke with members of the WV State Auditors office as well. A packet will now be available with certain criteria to be met before a consideration is given to funding requests which will bring Calhoun into compliance with the State Auditors office.

Commission President Craig Arthur said that the funds used to assist outside entities are tax payers funds and the only way we can ensure the funds are distributed appropriately is to have a police in place and transparency.

Larry Whited recommended that the Commission also have in place a way to retrieve funds that are misused or unused.

The Commission will accept policy comments until the January meeting. Comments can be made through the office of Jean Simers, County Clerk.

Jason Campbell of J.C. Films presented an opportunity before the Calhoun County Commission as well as the citizens of Calhoun to invest in a film opportunity about Calhoun County, filmed in Calhoun County and promoting West Virginia in a positive light.

Mr. Campbell started the company with Actor Eric Estrada to produce positive faith and family films. The company is asking for \$10-20,00 from community. They have currently filed 16 films in West Virginia and are looking to cover 4 other counties.

Commissioner Propst told Campbell that Calhoun is currently experiencing a rebirth, and Commissioner Arthur said he was biased for his community but

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OBITUARIES

GLENN DARRELL "BROWN" ROBERTS

Glen Darrell "Brown" Roberts, 92, of Big Springs, WV, away December 10, 2023, at Genesis Health Care-Glenville Cener. He was born in Calhoun County to the late Jesse and Violet Grimm Roberts.



He was married to Ireta Beck Kight Roberts for 67 years.

He was a resident of Nobe, WV, a member of United Brethren of Trace Fork, WV, and attended Black Horse Baptist in Ravenna, Ohio. He lived and worked in Kent, Ohio for many years.

Surviving are his two sisters Theda (Gerald) of Ohio and Nancy (Bob) of Nobe, WV, one brother John (Roberta) of Ohio, and his best friends Earl and Sheila Adwell of Nobe. He had several nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was loved by all.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his wife Iretta, four brothers Loren, Lorous, Charles (Chink), and Eursel (Sam), and one sister Marjorie.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, December 15, 2023, at 11:00 a.m., at Stump Funeral Home & Cremation, Inc., Grantsville, WV, with Rev. Ronzel Roberts officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Interment will be in Kight Cemetery. Online condolences may be expressed at www.stumpfuneralhomes.com

DAVID "DAVE" OLIN BARROWS

David "Dave" Olin Barrows, age 78, of Camp Hill, passed away at Claremont Nursing and Rehabilitation Center on Saturday, December 2, 2023. Dave was born in Bluefield, WV, to the late Olin James Barrows and Mary Ann (Meyer) Barrows.

Dave's survivors include his wife of 51 years, Pamela W. (Wilson) Barrows; his daughter: Elizabeth Grace Barrows Elliott and husband, Robert "Bob", and their children; Stephen Wilson Elliott and Martin Jamison Elliott, of Charleroi.

Dave graduated from Calhoun County High school as part of the class of 1963. He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Charleston, his master's degree from Marshall University, and his doctorate degree from The University of Nebraska. Dave taught at Marshall University for eight years

before accepting employment from Electronic Data Systems in North Carolina. He then moved to Camp Hill, where he worked as a computer programmer on Defense Department contracts for Electronic Data Systems and Hewlett-Packard. Dave retired in July, 2010 after 27 years of service. He proudly served in the US Army in Korea from 1968 to 1970. Dave enjoyed distance running and was a former member of the York Road Runners Club. He was an amateur radio operator and was a member of the Central Pennsylvania Repeater Association. Dave also belonged to the Seven Mountains Bluegrass Association and enjoyed going to a variety of live music performances. He was also a friend of the Unitarian Universalists of the Cumberland Valley.

All are welcome to join Dave's family at his greeting of guests on Wednesday, December 20, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. until time of service at 2:00 p.m. at Buhrig Funeral & Cremation, 37 East Main Street, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. Cremation was private.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, P.O. Box 5014, Hagerstown, MD 21741, or online at michaelfox.org

Dave's family has entrusted his care to Buhrig Funeral & Cremation in Mechanicsburg, (717) 766-3421. Read Dave's full obituary, offer condolences and sympathy, share stories and memories, upload photographs and videos, light a candle and sign his official guest book by visiting Buhrig.com.

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employee handbook. Using Grantsville's handbook for a guide, she had applied, removed or added things to make it work for Pleasant Hill and as a board they would determine the final edits. Identification badges will be given to all employees for wear when working for the system for added security.

Another matter for the board to consider is covering the cost of Hepatitis B and Tetanus shots for the PSD staff that come into contact with water in the system. Tammy will speak to Minnie Hamilton regarding the cost and scheduling.

The Board entered into executive session to discuss matters of personnel. An unofficial discussion outside the board meeting time with Jim Hildreth, engineer for the Norman Ridge Project and PSD staff had insightful information as well as expressed concerns.

Currently there are 22 signatures in the Annamoriah area, including Joker Road. Tony Arthur said that he believed the water system numbers would continue to expand once water was offered in that area. "It's beautiful land," he said, "but it's hard to live without water."

One staff member shared their concern that they had been told that there would be boots on the ground for the project in the coming year, but now were being told 2025. Jim Hildreth responded by saying that the previous board at Pleasant Hill kept no records and wouldn't get an audit causing the delays.

Grantsville Town Council December meeting

By Emma Howell

Grantsville's Town Council met for their December Council meeting with only four members present in person. Councilman William Villers had been absent for three consecutive meetings causing the council to seek a replacement. Members present were Mayor Robert Petrovsky, Recorder Judy Powell, Council Members, Linda Staton, Emilee Morgan, Cheryl Sturms and Kimberly Sweat.

Mayors communications: Mayor Petrovsky addressed the vacancy of Councilman William Villers stating that an ad/article would be put in the news seeking interested persons for the position. A councilperson must be a resident of the Town of Grantsville.

The Mayor announced that the City would now pursue a water rate increase due to the fact that they are currently way below, Mt. Zion and Pleasant Hill Rates. He requested the council's blessing to move forward with the necessary steps to the increase telling them that they could no longer sustain the cost of running the water department with the current rate. Mt. Zion PSD's base rate is above \$44 for 2000 gallons, while Grantsville's base rate is \$18.18 for 1500 gallons. The ordinance adoption may begin in January.

The second story of the city building was rented last month and it was discovered that the furnace in that are is now needing replaced. Last serviced in 2017, the 1983 model will roughly cost \$2,700 for a replacement. Nathan James will be providing the work.

Emily Robinson informed the Mayor that she had found three grants to cover three different pieces of equipment for the Town and needs documentation to help her fill out the grant applications. They grants total a request amount of 150,000 and an additional grant in the amount of \$50,000 for playground equipment for the park which will have handicapped accessibility. The grant decision will come around May of 2024. The grants required match but the match can be volunteer hours and other in kind contributions.

The Mayor reported that the playground equipment purchased with a Sisters grant should be here this week. Rubberized mulch will be placed around the equipment for safety.

The fence around the park will cost \$1,750 and they are still waiting on the "fence people."

John Canterbury, OIT for Grantsville Water plant passed his Class I operators and will now work toward getting the hours for certification.

Committees Reports: The taco lunch fundraiser by the park committee netted \$249 and there was a total of \$220.00 in cash collected in November from donations. Councilwoman Linda Staton said that they hoped to do lunch fundraisers every other Friday in Town to continue to raise funds for the park.

Mayor Petrovsky has began the process of pursuing B&O taxes for. They are one of the few towns in the state that do not have it. He is waiting for a call from the State Tax commissioner for further instruction.

There has been no update on the dilapidated housing issues in Grantsville. Mayor Petrovsky told the council that they need to move ahead and create a Building Authority so that when the doors open for funding they'll have that in place.

The owner of the Red Devil Inn has been notified to get rid of the garbage behind the establishment and to notify the city of their intentions within 10 days. If not a fine of \$1000 and a fee of \$1,200 will be assessed by the city for removal.

The Town continues to try to employ a Law enforcement officer but have been unable to find a certified individual. As an incentive for a certified officer, room and board will be provided free for a successful candidate hired.

Caroline Stewart of the MOVRC is the newest project coordinator and introduced herself to the council. Mayor Petrovsky said that the city felt abandoned by Luke Peters and we're glad to Ms. Stewart on board.

A bank account will be set up to accept Opioid funds from the Opioid Settlement recently announced. Those funds must be used to fight the opioid. The next council meeting will be January 8th, 2024 at 6 p.m.

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fully believe Calhoun has a lot to offer. The matter will return on January's agenda.

Under Old Business the Commission discussed the previous request for funding by the Grantsville Lions Club. Commissioners Arthur and Propst had met with the Lions Club to see first hand what was happening with their building and discuss funding possibilities. It was determined that once the Commission seen an effort on the part of the Lions Club to raise funds for the building repairs, the Commission would respond with a contribution as well. The cost of repairs on the Lions Club building was estimated at \$18,973.

The Commission asked Prosecuting Attorney Michael Hicks for a legal opinion on the giving of donations to 501c3 agencies. Hicks recommendation was in favor of an agency such as the Lions Club, but was not in favor of giving to a private business.

Ridgeview News Publisher Shari Johnson asked if the Commission had addressed the issue of providing sound equipment to aid in hearing the meetings better through social media and in the room. Commissioner Propst said that he had spoken with Jim Sullivan for advice and they were looking into quality equipment suitable for the space.

Following the resignation of Jeff Starcher from the Calhoun Civil Service Board the Commission is taking recommendations/applications from a legal/law enforcement affiliated person to fill the role. Submit names to Clerk, Jean Simers.

A final appointment for the Animal Shelter Board was applicant Alice Holmes.

Next regular meeting will be January 8, 2024.

WV Mineral Owners

By Melissa West

On December 2, 2023, Nate Cain, a Republican Congressional Candidate along with Scott Sanda and John Leonetti held "Digging into Your Mineral Rights Seminar" at the Tyler County Senior Citizens Center. There were over 67 people in attendance. I spoke with the group after the seminar by phone. You may wonder why this is so important, if you are WV Mineral Rights Owner you may have legitimate concerns as well. Nate Cain is attempting to expose the very shocking royalty plunge. He discusses the unexplained royalty calculation practices and demands for an urgent investigation. Cain is calling on the WV State Legislature to investigate the root cause of why the severance tax from oil, coal and natural gas has been reduced by 60.5% for this fiscal year.

When concerns from mineral owners to the operators why this was happening, they were often told "gas prices are much lower than last year." That much was true. In April of 2022, the Henry Hub Natural Gas Spot Price (considered "Market Price") per MMBtu was \$6.60. In April of 2023, that same Spot Price was \$2.16. However, that is not the entire story. Cain spoke with some very observant mineral owners. These owners showed him statements where operators paid them \$1.59 per MMBtu in April 2023, even though their lease said they were to be paid the market value of the gas, which was \$2.16 per MMBtu. That is approximately a 26% underpayment in royalties from market value. Many mineral owners depend on these royalties for subsistence. There was no explanation given to them as to what was causing this dramatic drop per MMBtu below market value. The stories they told Cain across West Virginia ranged from "This is very unusual" to "Me and my neighbors have never seen anything like this before." It also appears that multiple operators in WV are paying this way.

Cain is hoping that more legislation will be passed to create more penalties on companies who fail to pay the mineral owners what they are owed. Why is no one discussing SB 694, legislation that is an advantage for producers, not mineral right owners. No one has a problem with operators making money; they just want their fair and equitable share out of the sale of their minerals, according to their contracts. The calculation of royalty payments must be transparent. Mineral Owners and all West Virginians who benefit from the severance tax need clarification of the calculation practices that have led to the significant plunge of their royalties. According to Cain and colleagues, WV is losing about \$1 Billion out of \$4 billion Severance tax loss. Elected officials need an accounting as to why there is a loss in revenue to the State of West Virginia so they can find solutions equitable to mineral owners and operators alike. Look for updates from Cain.

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This Week In Calhoun History

The following reports are taken from the Calhoun Chronicle Archives.

1923, 100 YEARS: Local Happenings: Mrs. Andrew W. Hughes, of Parkersburg, is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stump.

Garnett Hersman, a first-class citizen of Dodrill, was here Tuesday attending to business matters. County Superintendent T. C. Cain of Brooksville, was here several days this week looking after official duties.

C. C. Starcher of Altizer, was here Tuesday attending to business interests and looking after some work at the Hi school building. Mrs. Clara Richards has resigned her position in the local postoffice. Her place is being filled by Mrs. Gordon Vanhorn.

H. H. Andrews, a prominent oil man of Leading Creek, was looking after business interests here one day this week. W.T. Vanhorn, a leading citizen of Steer Creek, was here this week greeting friends and attending to business matters.

A.J. Bland, one of Bull River's best farmers, was delivering some fine apples and other produce here one day this week.

Gilbert Haddox, a substantial farmer and cattle drover of Leading Creek, was a business visitor in Grantsville Monday. Lawson Stump, who has been connected with Gunn Store here for several years past, has resigned his position and moved back to Mt. Zion.

S.F. Lynch, of dam, who has a road contract with the Ritchie county court near Washburne, was here one night last week enroute home. He was accompanied by J.A. Hoskins who is associated with him in the contract.

Bring your batteries to The Grantsville Garage & Supply Co., for care over winter. We repaint and have them in good order for use in spring, for \$3. We rebuild your old battery at a reasonable charge. We handle Exide batteries for all cars. When in need call and see us.

Considerable excitement was occasioned in South Grantsville Sunday when a small motor used for pumping water at the Hi school building was allowed to catch fire and burn up. For a time residents of the town around the building thought the school building was afire and much excitement was caused. Clarence Starcher, assistant janitor had started the big engine which furnishes current and power for the building and went to the top part of the building to clean up the class and other rooms. He locked the doors behind him as he went in and when the fire was discovered the crowd which soon collected could not attract his attention. The fire was soon extinguished but the motor was a total loss.

1948, 75 YEARS: News From Here And There: Pfc. Jack Kight of the U.S. Marines spent a furlough with his mother, Mrs. Lafe Cogar, and family of Kight Ridge.

Olen Knight returned to his home on Pleasant Hill Friday. He has been overseas for quite some time. While overseas, he married a girl in Austria. She and their baby came home with him. He is a son of Bessie night and the late W.V. (Slim) Knight. We are glad he is home and welcome his wife and baby to our community also.

Mrs. Lemmie Cogar returned home last week from St. Joseph hospital in Parkersburg She and her baby are doing fine. Her mother, Mrs. Medley, of Estelle Springs, Tenn., went back to her home Sunday. Mrs. Betty Hartshorn and children are staying with the Cogars.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Spencer of Coburn, Mr. and Mrs. Wildeman of Cedar Point, were visiting the Henry Kight Jr. family of Pleasant Hill Saturday night.

We were sorry about the death of "Uncle" Hugh Ward. He will be missed greatly.

Mrs. Von Yoak and Mrs. Bill Kimble of Pleasant Hill were Charleston visitors one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Stevens and Eugene Wease of Parkersburg spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Wease of Pleasant Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnott Radabaugh spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Radabaugh of Pleasant Hill.

Mrs. Robert West and Mrs. Kennard Holbert of Nobe spent Sunday with the Ben Radabaugh family of Pleasant Hill.

1973, 50 YEARS: Calhoun High School: The tour started at Calhoun High School, where Principal Frank Capehart conducted a tour of the facility, starting with the library. One of the first things noted was the condition of the ceiling and crumbling plaster caused by moisture became so common that many bad places were not even pointed out. While many of the classrooms have been painted in a variety of colors, the peeling paint continues.

Actually, Calhoun High School, as seen on a walking tour, seemed like a rabbit warren of passageways, rooms stuck around in odd places, on several levels, and with almost no storage space. Room temperatures varied, too, even though heating all comes from two centrally located boilers, the trouble being in the long transmission lines.

Principal Capehart said that the high school was overcrowded, pointing out that every classroom was in use all of the time, some of the vo-ag rooms now being used as makeshift rooms. Valuable equipment was throughout the building, with no storage space. The chemistry lab was piled high with equipment, and the biology department had equipment with not enough storage. The basement science room has no water tap, so that water for a simple experiment must be carried in, and students in science and biology have no place in the room to wash u after a dissection. "It's remarkable what a great amount of learning goes on here," Capehart remarked, "in spite of our shortage of facilities."

Storage space throughout the school was one of the biggest problems noted. In the music department storage of instruments is a constant problem. The one music room, Capehart pointed out, is used by both band and vocal department, and is one of the busiest rooms in the building, with nearly 700 students in and out every day.

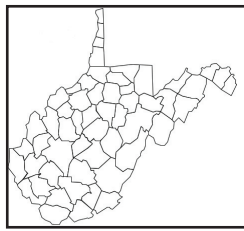
The "smelliest" place at the high school is where the visiting teams are sent for dressing for various sports. The committee went in and came back out in a very few minutes there, although the principal said that everything possible had been done for it. Inadequate ventilation seemed to be a cause of the odor. The room was painted and had a fairly clean appearance, but the odor overwhelmed other features.

In addition to the lack of storage space throughout the high school, it was notes that electrical wiring was old, adn that nearly all of the teachers asked for additional outlets. In the foreign language room the committee asked why a language bank, an expensive piece of equipment, was out of order. Service to this machine was hard to secure.

The home economics departments, where the high school tour ended, was newly redecorated, but the principal pointed out that the usage of that department was expected to go up, and it would be overcrowded.



1973 Senior Basketball Team L to R: Robert Vaughn, Jim Garretson, Dan Gainer, Ken Kendall, Dyer Frame, Joe Anderson and Joe Morris.



This Week In West Virginia History

The West Virginia Encyclopedia is a project of the W. Va. Humanities Council.

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.

Dec. 14, 1910: The accidental death of a Chesapeake & Ohio Railway engineer near St. Albans led to the popular train song "Billy Richardson's Last Ride."



Dec. 14, 1857: Coal operator Justus Collins was born. He owned coal mines at Glen Jean and Whipple, and the octagonal Whipple company store survives today as a local landmark. (pictured on right)



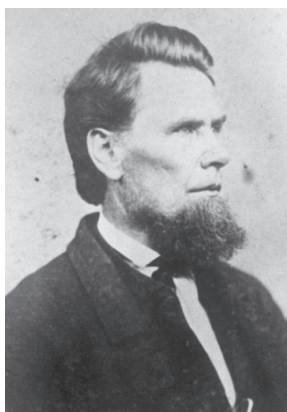
Dec. 15, 1879: Roman Catholic Bishop John Joseph Swint was born in Pickens. He was responsible for the building of many religious institutions in the Diocese of Wheeling (now the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston).

Dec. 15, 1967: The Silver Bridge at Point Pleasant collapsed, killing 46 people. The Silver Bridge was



opened to traffic on May 19, 1928. The accident led to the passage of legislation for a national bridge inspection and safety program.

Dec. 15, 1972: An explosion at a Weirton Steel coke plant on Browns Island killed 19 men and injured 10 others. It was the worst industrial accident in Weirton's history.

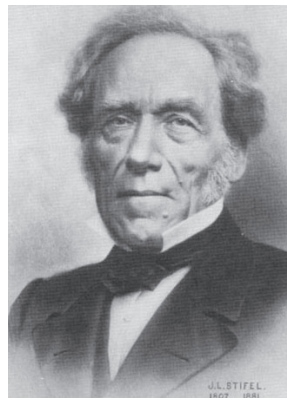


Dec. 16, 1893: Alexander Martin died at the age of 71 in Greencastle, Indiana. Martin was the first president of the Agricultural College of West Virginia, which was renamed West Virginia University at his recommendation in 1868.

Dec. 16, 1897: The last public hanging in W.Va occurred in Ripley. John F. Morgan had been convicted of murdering Chloe Greene and two of her three



children in the Grass Lick area of Jackson County.

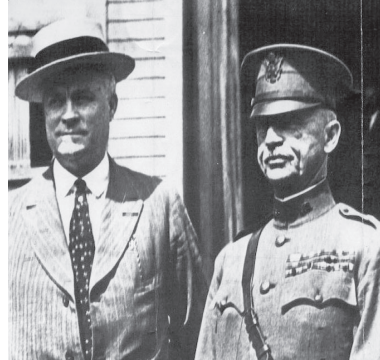


Dec. 17, 1957: The J. L. Stifel & Sons calico plant at Wheeling closed. For most of its history Stifel & Sons produced indigo-dyed prints and drills for clothing manufacturers. At its peak, the plant produced 3.5 million yards of cloth per month.(pictured on left)

Dec. 18, 1842: U. S. Senator Nathan B. Scott was born. By 1900, Scott had become one of West Virginia's four richest and most powerful men. (pictured on right)



Dec. 18, 1864: General Harry Hill Bandholtz was born in Michigan. Bandholtz was commander of the federal troops that intervended to end the West Virginia Mine Wars in 1921. (Pictured below)



Dec. 18, 1816: Lewis County was formed. It was named for Colonel Charles Lewis, killed at the Battle of Point Pleasant.

Dec. 19, 1794: A 40-acre tract of George Clendenin's land was selected as the site of Charlestown, later renamed Charleston. Clendenin, born in



Augusta County, Virginia, in 1746, was one of the first settlers in the Kanawha Valley. Through Clendenin's influence the Virginia Assembly authorized the formation of Kanawha County from parts of Greenbrier and Montgomery counties in 1789.

Dec. 19, 1832: The town of Ripley received its charter. It was probably named for Harry Ripley, a popular circuit-riding Methodist minister who drowned in Mill Creek in 1830.



Dec. 20, 1943: During World War II, German fighter pilot Franz Stigler protected the heavily damaged B-17 bomber flown by Charlie Brown, originally from Weston, as it made its way from enemy territory back to England. The two war veterans met in 1990 and remained friends until their deaths. (pictured on left)

Dec. 20, 2002: Grote Reber died. In 1937, Reber built the world's first parabolic radio telescope in his backyard. The Reber Telescope was moved to the National Radio Observatory at Green Bank in the 1960s and was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1989.

My Home Among the Hills

by Mellody Walburn



It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas around my home among the hills, and I am truly enjoying it. I love sitting by my Christmas in the evenings. I can't prove it, but I feel like it relaxes me and lowers my stress levels.

Add a fire in the fireplace, my favorite blanket, a good book, and a cup of coffee, and I am in my happy place. I plan to be there as much as I can over the next few weeks of this busy season.

I may be a bit biased, and I think I say this every year, but my Christmas tree is the prettiest one I have ever had.

Andy and Maricia went with me to the Westfalls' tree farm to help me get the tree home and set up right after school on Thursday. I knew exactly what I was looking for as I made my way into the trees. I like my tree to be tall and full, and I spotted the perfect one almost at once. It was love at first sight, and I knew we would be spending the holidays together.

Once we got my tree home, Andy put it into the tree stand while Maricia and I discussed where to put it. I usually place the tree in front of the big picture window in my living room, but this requires a great deal of rearranging of furniture. I decided to try something new this year and had Andy place it in the corner furthest from the fireplace. I didn't have to move any furniture, and I am hoping being away from the heat will help the tree to live longer. The Mlyneks helped me with the lights before they headed home; they even brought dinner, which was delicious.

I didn't get around to decorating the tree until Saturday morning. Friday night Rascal and I hung out while my parents went to see a Christmas program. I had planned to decorate the tree, but Rascal was feeling cuddly so I curled up on the couch with him and read a book. It was a great way to spend an evening after a busy week.

Saturday morning, I did my usual cleaning and laundry. Then I carried all of my Christmas bins upstairs, told my new Alexa Echo to turn on some Christmas music, and got to work decking the halls. I haven't finished quite everything, but I am almost there. I had to stop so that I could shower and get ready for the Journey to Bethlehem. I have to mention I also bought Alexa plugs, and I used the first one for my tree. Now I all I have to do is say, "Alexa, tree on" and the lights magically come on. I love how simple it is to turn the light on and off.

The weather was quite weird this weekend. I can't remember the last time I have heard thunder in December, but that's just what happened on Saturday as I was getting ready to head out the door. Thankfully, the weather cleared up by around 3:30. I have been looking forward to this event for weeks, and I was not disappointed.

Grantsville has never looked prettier, and the over 100 luminaries we set out for the evening made it look even more magical.

Our great group of volunteers gathered at the church to put on costumes and eat some pizza before we headed to our stations. My place was at station one. It was my job to sing "O Come All Ye Faithful" to welcome our guests as they arrived. Then Erin Barnhart read them a scripture, and Maricia gave them a brief synopsis of the evening and sent them to the welcome center in the basement of the First Baptist Church.

While there, guests received a map of the stations and a tasty bag of trail mix. Then they were off to visit the wisemen, the shepherds, the inn, and the angels. At each station, visitors heard both scripture and music. The shepherds even shared the kettle corn they were making over their fire. Next, guests were directed to the town office to sign the census before they made their way to the last and most important stop of the evening, the nativity scene. Here they heard the good news, "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:11)

The Christmas season has begun, and I am counting down the days until I am on vacation. This is another busy week at school and home. There will be benchmark testing, the Christmas program, a PTO meeting, library Christmas party, historical society meeting, and "a partridge in a pear tree." But tonight, it's just me and my tree and the possibility of some snow tomorrow. A girl can dream, can't she?

Animal Shelter Meeting 12/13 has been Postponed

The public animal shelter meeting that was scheduled for December 13th has been postponed until further notice. This is to give the Board a chance to complete what we need to do before we can hold public meetings.

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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., Dec. 14: pork chops, greens, steam vegetables, fruit, whole wheat bread

Fri., Dec. 15: COOK'S CHOICE

Mon., Dec. 18: chicken soup, mixed greens, oranges, whole wheat crackers.

Tues., Dec. 19: CHRISTMAS DINNER

Wed., Dec. 20: fish, green beans, vegetables, whole

wheat pasta salad, fruit.

Thurs., Dec. 21: sloppy joe, whole wheat bun, stem vegetables, peaches, potatoes.

Fri., Dec., 22: hotdog, sauce and onions, cole slaw, potatoes, fruit, whole wheat bun.

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., Dec. 14: Ceremony by the First Baptist Calhoun Food Pantry, Rt. 5, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Food Distribution by Minnie Hamilton at the Arnoldsburg Community Park, 12:00 p.m.

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

Fri., Dec. 15: City Office in Grantsville is doing a call in order lunch for \$8 to benefit the City Park in Grantsville, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Chicken & dumplings, mashed potatoes, green beans. Pre order at 304-354-7500

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

CMHS Performing Arts Christmas Showcase, Auditorium, 6:00 p.m.

Calhoun High Schoolboys Basketball Game at Valley Wetzel, 7:00 PM

Calhoun County Park Christmas Light display 6-8 p.m.

John Richards will be feasted at the Country Kitchen located in Big Otter, 9 p.m. to Midnight

Sat., Dec. 16: Wreaths Across America

The Calhoun Cabaret presents: Strike Notice, 7:30p.m. at the Arnoldsburg Community Building.

Christmas Toy Give away at Upper West Fork Park, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

CMHS Performing Arts Christmas Showcase, Auditorium, 3:00 p.m.

Creston Community Building Christmas Party, Dinner at 3 p.m., Santa arrives at 5 p.m.

Calhoun County Park Christmas Light display 6-8 p.m.

Sing, Upper West Fork Park, Frank Conn & Partners, 7 p.m.

Sun., Dec. 17: The Calhoun Cabaret presents: Strike Notice, 2:30p.m. at the Arnoldsburg Community Building.

Mon., Dec. 18: The Order of the Eastern Star Monthly meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Tues., Dec. 19: First Baptist Calhoun Food Pantry, Rt 5, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Everybody Loves a Baby

By Linda Crawford

A couple of years ago a prayer request came in for a young family. Already in a "crisis pregnancy" the mother had contracted COVID.

Treating her aggressively would harm the baby. The decision was made to deliver the baby--a scant two pounds--so both the mother and baby could be cared for.

In addition to the privilege to praying were precious pictures. The first was with the father's hand and a ballpoint pen to underscore the teeny tininess. The baby's eyes were shut. The wee bow shaped mought was shut but moving 90 to nothing.

The tiny fingers had miniscule tubes inserted. It was one of those moments when only silent awe would do. Subsequent pictures and updates were in the right direction for everyone. As the baby became more active the pictures becomes visuals of things a woman gets to feel while carrying a child.

The baby can be noticeably active. The "isolette" for this one had soft and harmless lining to push and bounce against. At about five pounds the baby came home.

The mother's recovery from COVID seemed slower than the baby's development. Updates sounded like a home hospital with Dr. Dad. Time seems to have flown by and things are as normal as any family with a talking toddler. It's no wonder people love the Baby Jesus at Christmas. Everybody loves a baby.

The Upper West Fork Park will hold Christmas Toy Giveaway Dec. 16th

The park is having our annual toy giveaway Saturday December 16th at 1:00-3:00.

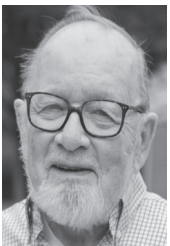
Must be present to receive a ticket for a chance at a bike for Christmas and must also be present when the bikes are given away. Enjoy music from Frank Conn & Partners at 7:00 p.m.

Order of Eastern Star Meeting 12/18

The Order of the Eastern Star Grantsville Chapter No. 73 will hold its monthly meeting on December 18, 2023 at 7:30 pm. Don't forget to wear your ugly sweaters, bring a white elephant gift and your favorite cookies to exchange!

CURIOSITY CORNER

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



Question: I thought I would ask since it's cold and flu season. Who determined that 98.6 degrees Fahrenheit is the ideal body temperature? Surely, our body temperatures can't all be the same! (Asked by a curious, health-conscious column reader.)

Reply: I've addressed this question before, but it's worth a refresher around this time of year.

We say that the "normal" human body temperature is 98.6 degrees Fahrenheit, or 37 degrees Celsius (though, for the purposes of this article, we'll stick with Fahrenheit). This dates back to a study done all the way back in 1868, after registering over a million different temperatures from about 25,000 people.

That test, however, was conducted over 150 years ago now. Has it changed in all those years? A more recent study, from 1992, notes that the original 1868 study was made using the thermometers of the time, which were not as accurate as the modern electronic thermometers most of us use today. That new study has some interesting results.

The "normal" human body temperature from oral measurements varied with individuals over a range of about 96 to 101 degrees Fahrenheit, with an average of about 98.2. After strenuous exercise, though, the oral temperature could register as high as 103. When the body is exposed to cold, though, the temperature could fall below 96. Also, a rapid drop in body temperature of two or three degrees produces uncontrollable shivering. There is not only a contraction of the skeletal muscles, but also of the tiny muscles attached to the hair follicles (aka "goosebumps").

One's body temperature is typically lower in the morning, after sleeping and not digesting food.

The "normal" body temperature generally rises during the day to a peak and then recedes. The 1992 study also indicated that women have a slightly higher average temperature than men 98.4 vs. 98.1).

You mentioned cold and flu season, so let's discuss the extremes! A fever temperature is typically between 102 and 104. A body temperature above 106 is extremely dangerous. The enzymes for certain body reactions begin to be inactivated and a total breakdown of body chemistry can result. On the cold (hypothermic) side, decreasing body temperature results in memory lapse and slurred speech, muscular rigidity, erratic heartbeats, loss of consciousness... and finally death below temperatures of 78 (due to heart failure).

Lower-than-normal body temperatures can be beneficial, however. A decrease in body temperature slows down the body's chemical reactions and cells use less oxygen than they normally do. This fact is applied in some medical situations, such as open-heart surgery where a patient's body may be lowered significantly.

Moral of the article: don't get hot and bothered and keep your cool... somewhere around an average of 98 degrees Fahrenheit. And, if you're running a fever, or showing any other signs of illness, please stay home and get well. This is for your own benefit as well as for the benefit of others.

C.P.S. (Curious Postscript): "Hot heads and cold hearts never solved anything." -Billy Graham

Food For Thought

By Judy Wolfram

It's a few weeks to Spread candy in 8x8x2 Christmas so let's make inch pan. When cool, cut some candy. You can put in desired shape. Store in it out in pretty dishes or tight fitting container. give it out as a gift.

This recipe is called- Now lets make some-
 Chocolate Pecan Peanut Butter Fudge
 Candy 2 cups sugar
 1- 6 ounce package 2/3 cup evaporated
 of semi sweet chocolate milk

pieces Cook and stir for 3 tablespoons of about 5 minutes or until honey soft-ball stage; then

1 teaspoon of vanilla add 1 cup peanut butter
 3/4 cup of finely and 1 cup miniature
 chopped pecans marshmallows. Beat
 A dash of salt together until melted.

Melt chocolate pieces Pour into a 9x9 inch
 in honey and vanilla on square pan (that has been
 very low heat, stirring lightly buttered). Let it
 until chocolate is melted. cool before cutting into
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- Parent/child groups and story book hours.

Tuesday location is the Calhoun Family Resource Network 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Friday location is at the Arnoldsburg Elementary School 1 to 3 p.m.
This month's theme is Gingerbread.

Please come out and join us for fun and learning.

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.

Calhoun Football Players appointed to All Little Kanawha Conference Team

By Robert Bonar

Nine Red Devils earned spots on the All-Little Kanawha Conference football team, announced last week. Jayton Gibson (RB), Logan Tingler (TE) and Gabe Waldron (K) were named to the second team offense, while Trenton Nelson (DL) and Owen Taylor (DB) made the second team defense. The Special Honorable Mention list includes Adam Hughes, Tyler Nelson and Rome Riddel, while Landon Hardway earned Honorable Mention.

Senior quarterback Owen Taylor was also named Honorable Mention on the Class A All-State team.

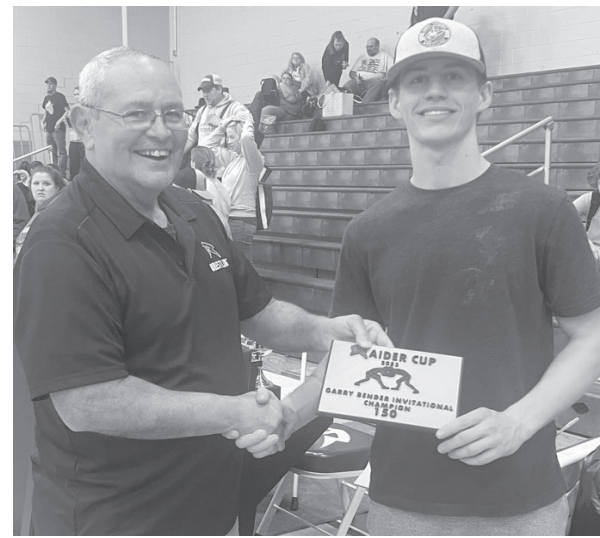


Reese Schoolcraft - 1st Place

Calhoun Red Devil Wrestling

By Robert Bonar

The Calhoun County Red Devils wrestling team opened up the 2023-24 season last weekend by participating in the Garry Bender Raider Cup at Roane County High School. The Red Devils finished second out of nine participating teams with 132 points. Reese Schoolcraft (106), Wyatt Nichols (150), Haidon Staton (157) finished first in their weight classes.



Wyatt Nichols



Haidon Staton

Team Results:

1.	Roane County	183
2.	Calhoun County	132
3.	Poca	120
4.	Chapmanville	115
5.	Lewis County	108
6.	Logan	84
7.	Webster County	69
8.	Man	46
9.	Grafton	34

Individual Placers

106	Reese Schoolcraft	1st
113	Lance Grogg	5th
120	Christian Andreano	5th
132	Noah Butler	8th
138	Joseph Nelson	7th
144	Adam Hughes	3rd
150	Wyatt Nichols	1st
157	Haidon Staton	1st
165	Jobe Loudin	3rd
175	Sam Elmore	2nd
190	Landon Sampson	5th
285	Landon Richards	4th
	Troy Collins	8th



CALHOUN COUNTY HS BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

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



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(2022-C-000119 - Calhoun County - EDCO MINERALS LLC)
 To: TOREY THOMAS YOAK, RONDA YOAK, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.
DISTRICT SHERMAN MAP 9999 PARCEL 0001 9060 0000
 You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Cert. No. 2022-C-000119, located in SHERMAN District, 7/48 112 BENNETT MILL E FRANCIS #1-4 W-360, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of YOAK RONDA, 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 that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after May 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before April 30, 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 - 23405	\$	116.49
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due to the date of certification for ticket number	\$	0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 23430	\$	23.66
Additional taxes with interest	\$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest	\$	212.15
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest	\$	220.49
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest	\$	0.00
Total Amount due and payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$	572.79

You may redeem at any time before April 30, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
 Given under my hand November 14, 2023
G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.
 G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.
 Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of CALHOUN County, State of West Virginia
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NOTICE TO REDEEM

(2022-C-000113 - Calhoun County - EDCO MINERALS LLC)
 To: DAVID R. VARNER, DOCK STUMP, SYLVESTER STUMP, PAUL STUMP, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.
DISTRICT SHERMAN MAP 9999 PARCEL 0001 6650 0000
 You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Cert. No. 2022-C-000113, located in SHERMAN District, 1/10 205 RACCOON S STUMP W-520 #28878 DOM-90, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of STUMP PAUL, 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 that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after May 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before April 30, 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 - 19773	\$	88.96
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due to the date of certification for ticket number	\$	0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 19792	\$	23.47
Additional taxes with interest	\$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest	\$	212.15
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest	\$	220.49
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest	\$	0.00
Total Amount due and payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$	545.07

You may redeem at any time before April 30, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
 Given under my hand November 14, 2023
G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.
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 Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of CALHOUN County, State of West Virginia
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NOTICE TO REDEEM

(2022-C-000158 - Calhoun County - EDCO MINERALS LLC)
 To: JOHN R. JARVIS, O. L. HALL HEIRS, JEAN H. JARVIS, ANNE H. BARNETTE, KENT S. HALL, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.
DISTRICT WASHINGTON MAP 9999 PARCEL 0001 2990 0000
 You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Cert. No. 2022-C-000158, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/6 44-3/4 POND RUN - ROGERS JOHN T JARVIS GAS CO, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of HALL O L HRS, 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 that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after May 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before April 30, 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 - 23409	\$	88.96
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due to the date of certification for ticket number	\$	0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 23434	\$	23.47
Additional taxes with interest	\$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest	\$	152.15
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest	\$	220.49
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest	\$	0.00
Total Amount due and payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$	485.07

You may redeem at any time before April 30, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
 Given under my hand November 14, 2023
G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.
 G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.
 Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of CALHOUN County, State of West Virginia
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NOTICE TO REDEEM

(2022-C-000137 - Calhoun County - EDCO MINERALS LLC)
 To: BETH L. KIMBLE, IRENE KNOTTS ANDERSON, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.
DISTRICT WASHINGTON MAP 9999 PARCEL 0000 0270 0000
 You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Cert. No. 2022-C-000137, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/3 47 WALNUT, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of ANDERSON IRENE KNOTTS, 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 that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after May 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before April 30, 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 - 21027	\$	89.60
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due to the date of certification for ticket number	\$	0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 21029	\$	24.06
Additional taxes with interest	\$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest	\$	122.15
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest	\$	220.49
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest	\$	0.00
Total Amount due and payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$	456.30

You may redeem at any time before April 30, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
 Given under my hand November 14, 2023
G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.
 G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.
 Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of CALHOUN County, State of West Virginia
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NOTICE TO REDEEM

(2022-C-000060 - Calhoun County - EDCO MINERALS LLC)
 To: VICKIE LYNN BOWEN, DENNIS STURM, JERRY STURM, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.
DISTRICT LEE MAP 9999 PARCEL 0002 7740 3001
 You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Cert. No. 2022-C-000060, located in LEE District, 1/12 125 WF - WF GAS CO GW SHAFER, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of BOWEN VICKIE LYNN, 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 that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after May 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before April 30, 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 - 5576	\$	88.96
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due to the date of certification for ticket number	\$	0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 5579	\$	23.47
Additional taxes with interest	\$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest	\$	152.15
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest	\$	220.49
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest	\$	0.00
Total Amount due and payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$	485.07

You may redeem at any time before April 30, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
 Given under my hand November 14, 2023
G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.
 G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.
 Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of CALHOUN County, State of West Virginia
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NOTICE TO REDEEM

(2022-C-000154 - Calhoun County - EDCO MINERALS LLC)
 To: JOHN R. JARVIS, O. L. HALL HEIRS, JEAN H. JARVIS, ANNE H. BARNETT, KENT S. HALL, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.
DISTRICT WASHINGTON MAP 9999 PARCEL 0001 2950 0000
 You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Cert. No. 2022-C-000154, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/3 125 WF HILDRETH ADAMS & DEEL W-430, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of HALL O L HRS, 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 that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after May 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before April 30, 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 - 23405	\$	101.67
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due to the date of certification for ticket number	\$	0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 23430	\$	35.03
Additional taxes with interest	\$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest	\$	137.15
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest	\$	220.49
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest	\$	0.00
Total Amount due and payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$	494.34

You may redeem at any time before April 30, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
 Given under my hand November 14, 2023
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 Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of CALHOUN County, State of West Virginia
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(2022-C-000190 - Calhoun County - EDCO MINERALS LLC)
 To: LINDA F. SPENCER, BERNARD VAUGHAN, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.
DISTRICT WASHINGTON MAP 9999 PARCEL 0000 0270 0000
 You will take notice that EDCO MINERALS LLC, the purchaser of the tax lien(s) on the following real estate, Cert. No. 2022-C-000190, located in WASHINGTON District, 1/6 56 WALNUT J YOST, which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of VAUGHAN BERNARD, 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 that a deed for such real estate will be made on or after May 1, 2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before April 30, 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 - 21027	\$	88.96
Back tax tickets, with interest, and charges due to the date of certification for ticket number	\$	0.00
Subsequent of taxes paid on the property, with interest to for tax year 2022 - 21029	\$	23.47
Additional taxes with interest	\$	0.00
Auditor's Certification, Publication, and Redemption fee plus interest	\$	137.15
Amount paid for Title Examination, notice to redeem, publication, personal service, Secretary of State with interest	\$	220.49
Additional Statutory Fees with Interest	\$	0.00
Total Amount due and payable to WV State Auditor - cashier check, money order, certified or personal check.	\$	470.07

You may redeem at any time before April 30, 2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest.
 Given under my hand November 14, 2023
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 Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of CALHOUN County, State of West Virginia
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that proceedings in the following estates are pending before the County Commission of Calhoun County, West Virginia, at the Courthouse in the City of Grantsville, West Virginia;

Decedent	Personal Representative	Address
Jackie Lee Jarvis	Jennifer D. Kirk	1004 Washington Dr., Cottontown, TN 37048
	Jacqueline D. Jarvis	801 Nubia Rd., Westmoreland, TN 37186
Mary Louise Smith	John L. Wilson	P.O. Box 452, Bridgeville, PA 15017
Jeffery Kent Engle	Rodney Pell Engle	707 Osborn Ave., Lorain, OH 44052

December 6, 2023
 Notice is hereby given that the preceding estate(s) have been opened for probate in the Calhoun County Clerk's office at 363 Main Street, PO Box 230, GRANTSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA 26147. Any person seeking to impeach or establish a will must make a complaint in accordance with the provision of West Virginia Code 41-5-11 through 13. Any interested person objecting to the qualifications of the personal representative or the venue of jurisdiction of the commission, shall file notice of an objection with the County Commission within 60 days after the date of the first publication or within 30 days of the service of the notice, whichever is later. If an objection is not filed timely, the objection is forever barred.

Any person interested in filing claims against an estate shown below must file them in accordance with West Virginia Code, 44-2 and 44-3. All persons having claims against one or more of the estate(s) shown above, whether due or not, are notified to exhibit their claims, with the voucher thereof, legally verified, to the Clerk of the Calhoun County Commission at Calhoun County Clerk's Office at 363 Main Street, PO Box 230, GRANTSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA 26147 on or before **February 6, 2024**. Otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate(s). All beneficiaries of said estate(s) may appear on or before said day to examine said claims and otherwise protect their interests.

Settlement of the estate(s) of the preceding named decedent(s) will proceed with or without reference to a fiduciary commissioner unless within 60 days from the first publication of this notice a reference is requested by a party of interest or an unpaid creditor files a claim and good cause is shown to support reference to a fiduciary commissioner.

Jean Simers
 Jean Simers, Clerk
 Calhoun County Commission

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

CASE NO. 23-0460-E-42T MONONGAHELA POWER COMPANY and THE POTOMAC EDISON COMPANY Rule 42T tariff filing to increase rates and charges.

NOTICE OF HEARING

On May 31, 2023, Monongahela Power Company and The Potomac Edison Company filed revised tariff sheets reflecting increased base rates and charges of \$207,452,687 or 13 percent in total revenues, including the proposed Infrastructure Investment Program and the Energy Assistance Outreach Program for low-income customers detailed in the filing on a combined company basis. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Category, Base Rate Increase (\$), and Increase (%). Rows include Residential, Commercial, Industrial, and Street Lighting.

The effective date of the proposed increased rates and charges has been suspended through March 26, 2024 unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission. The increases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Individual customers may receive increases that are greater or lesser than the average shown. Furthermore, the requested rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing.

This matter is scheduled for an evidentiary hearing on January 24-26, 2024. The hearing will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Howard M. Cunningham Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission, 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia. The Commission may cancel the evidentiary hearing for good cause shown.

The Commission will receive public comments until the beginning of the hearing. All written comments should state the case name and number and be addressed to Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323. Public Comments may also be filed online at http://www.psc.state.wv.us/scripts/onlinecomments/default.cfm by clicking the "Formal Case" link.

MONONGAHELA POWER COMPANY and THE POTOMAC EDISON COMPANY

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WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Division of Highways NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia until January 09, 2024 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Table with 5 columns: Call, Contract, State Project, Federal Project, and Description. Row 1: 022 2021000706 S383-STR/IP-24 00 STP-2024(047)D PAVEMENT MARKINGS ROADWAY STRIPING DISTRICT WIDE COUNTY: CALHOUN, DISTRICT 3, JACKSON, WIRT, WOOD

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

REMARKS:

Proposals will be received from prequalified and West Virginia licensed contractors only except that on Federal-Aid Projects a contractors' licence is not required at time of bid, but will be required before work can begin. Registration is required with the Department of Administration, Division of Purchasing, in accordance with Chapter 5A, Article 3, Section 12 of the West Virginia Code.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. The deferment, delay, postponement, and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened will be available on www.bidx.com.

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

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(Cert. No. 071750 Armstrong Land Management)

To: CLIFFORD PRICE - PERSONAL SERVICE, CLIFFORD PRICE, OR HIS HEIRS AT LAW, DE- VISEES, CREDITORS, REPRESENTATIVES, SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, GUARDIANS, CONSERVATORS, FIDUCIARIES, ADMINISTRATORS, OTHER PARTIES HAVING AN UNDIVIDED INTEREST IN THE DELINQUENT PROPERTY AND OTHER PARTIES THAT MAY HAVE ANY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT PROPERTY, or heirs at law, devisees, creditors, representatives, successors, assigns, all known heirs, guardians, conservators, fiduciaries, administrators, lienholders, co-owners, other parties having an undivided interest in the delinquent property, and other parties that may have an interest in the subject property.

DISTRICT WASHINGTON MAP 9999 PARCEL 0003 55703001

You will take notice that Armstrong Land Management, the purchaser of the following real estate, Certification No. 071750, located in WASHINGTON District, 60/72 2 SEARS RUN OGM HW-140 which was returned delinquent or nonentered in the name of HILL FRANK ET ALS, and was sold by the deputy commissioner of delinquent and nonentered lands of Calhoun County at the sale for the delinquent taxes made on 10/20/2022. Armstrong Land Management requests that you be notified a deed for such real estate will be made on or after 2/5/2024, as provided by law, unless before that day you redeem such real estate. The amount needed to redeem on or before 02/5/2024 will be as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include interest, taxes paid, Title Examination, Statutory Fees, and Total Amount Payable to Sheriff.

Sheriff of Calhoun County.

You may redeem at any time before 02/5/2024, by paying the above total less any unearned interest. Given under my hand 12/1/2023

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.

G. Russell Rollyson, Jr.

Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and

Nonentered Lands of Calhoun County, State of West Virginia

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DISTRICT WASHINGTON MAP 9999 PARCEL 0003 56103001

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WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Division of Highways NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bids will be received electronically by the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways through the Bid Express Bidding Service (www.bidx.com) and by sealed proposals (only when prequalification is waived) being received at its office in Building 5, Room 843, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, West Virginia until January 09, 2024 at 10:00 AM (Eastern Standard Time). The bids will be downloaded and/or opened and read publicly thereafter for the constructions of the following project(s):

Table with 5 columns: Call, Contract, State Project, Federal Project, and Description. Row 1: 020 2022830003 S383-REC/AL-24 00 SPBG-2024(004)D PAVEMENT MARKINGS D-3 RECALL STRIPING 2024 DISTRICT WIDE COUNTY: CALHOUN

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

REMARKS:

Proposals will be received from prequalified and West Virginia licensed contractors only except that on Federal-Aid Projects a contractors' licence is not required at time of bid, but will be required before work can begin. Registration is required with the Department of Administration, Division of Purchasing, in accordance with Chapter 5A, Article 3, Section 12 of the West Virginia Code.

The West Virginia Department of Transportation, Division of Highways reserves the right to defer, delay or postpone the date for receiving and publicly opening proposals for any project designated in this advertisement, without the necessity of renewing such advertisement. The deferment, delay, postponement, and the date that proposals will be received and publicly opened will be available on www.bidx.com.

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

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DISTRICT WASHINGTON MAP 9999 PARCEL 0003 55803001

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DISTRICT WASHINGTON MAP 9999 PARCEL 0005 96703001

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Felony Cases

Gary Dalton 22-M07F-0063 (1); 61-03-11: Burglary; entry of dwelling or outhouse; WV State Police, Brian E. Young; Magistrate Lora Davis; Dismissed per Plea Agreement on 11/14/23.

Misdemeanor Cases

Cody A. Blosser, 23-M07M-00174 (1); 61-03-30(a): Unlawful injury to or destruction of property; Calhoun County Prosecutor; Magistrate Richard Postalwait; No Contest per Plea Agreement on 11/14/23.
Dylan Paul Little, 23-M07M-00231 (1); 17C-05-02(e): DUI <0.15 (1st); WV State Police, Josh Richards; Magistrate Lora Davis; Dismissed on 11/08/23.
Lois Hersman, 23-M07M-00247 (2); 17A-09-02(a): Operation of vehicles without evidences of registration; WV State Police, Brian E. Young; Magistrate Lora Davis; Dismissed on 11/02/23.

Amber Nicole Yoak, 23-M07M-00251 (1); 17B-02-01: no operators; WV State Police, Josh Richards; Magistrate Richard Postalwait; Dismissed on 11/15/23.
Amber Nicole Yoak, 23-M07M-00251 (3); 17C-15-34: defective muffler; WV State Police, Josh Richards; Magistrate Richard Postalwait; No Contest on 11/15/23.
Elbert Virgil Beckett, Jr., 23-M07M-00256 (1); 60A-04-401(c): Knowingly or intentionally possessing a controlled substance without a valid precscript; Brian E. Young; Magistrate Richard Postalwait; Dismissed per Plea Agreement on 11/08/23.
Elbert Virgil Beckett, Jr., 23-M07M-00256 (2); 17A-09-03: Improper use of evidences of registration (misdemeanor); Brian E. Young; Magistrate Richard Postalwait; Guilty per Plea Agreement on 11/08/23.
Randy Dwayne Shrader, 23-M07M-00262 (2); 17D-2A-

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Magistrate Court of Calhoun County November 2023

3(a): Failure to maintain motor vehicle insurance; WV State Police, David Moore TFC; Magistrate Lora Davis; Dismissed on 11/02/23.
Randy Dwayne Shrader, 23-M07M-00262 (3); 17A-9-3: Improper use of evidences of registration; WV State Police, David Moore TFC; Magistrate Lora Davis; Dismissed on 11/02/23.
Jacob Bruce Jett, 23-M07M-00268 (1); 17C-16-9: Operation without certificate of inspection or failure to produce certificate; WV State Police, Brian E. Young; Magistrate Richard Postalwait; Dismissed on 11/06/23.
Jacob Bruce Jett, 23-M07M-00268 (2); 17A-3-16(a): Expired motor vehicle registration; WV State Police, Brian E. Young; Magistrate Richard Postalwait; Dismissed on 11/06/23.
Jacob Bruce Jett, 23-M07M-00268 (3); 17C-15-36(a): Operate a motor vehicle with window obstructed; WV State Police, Brian

E. Young; Magistrate Richard Postalwait; Dismissed on 11/06/23.
Jaron Jett, 23-M07M-00269 (1); 17C-16-9: Operation without certificate of inspection or failure to produce certificate; Sherrif Of Calhoun Co., C. R. Stephens; Magistrate Lora Davis; Dismissed on 11/20/23.
Gary Dalton Nicholson, 23-M07M-0277 (1); 61-3-13(b): Petit larceny; WV State Police; Magistrate Lora Davis; Guilty-Plea Agreement on 11/14/23.
Shawn Mollohan, 23-M07M-00280 (1); 17C-16-9: Operation without certificate of inspection or failure to produce certificate; WV State Police, Brian E. Young; Magistrate Lora Davis; Dismissed on 11/30/23.
Ronald Lee Summers, 23-M07M-00282 (1); 17A-9-2(a): Operation of a vehicle without evidence of registration; WV State Police, Brian E. Young; Magistrate Lora Davis; Dismissed on 11/20/23.

Ronald Lee Summers, 23-M07M-00282 (2); 17C-16-9: Operation without certificate of inspection or failure to produce certificate; WV State Police, Brian E. Young; Magistrate Lora Davis; Dismissed on 11/20/23.
Jerry Cotrell, 23-M07M-00288 (1); 20-2-5(a)(4): Hunt from a motor vehicle; DNR Law Enforcement Division, Jonathan Neal Holcomb; Magistrate Lora Davis; No Contest Plea on 11/30/23.
Jerry Cotrell, 23-M07M-00288 (2); 20-2-58(a)(3): Shoot within 500 ft of a dwelling; DNR Law Enforcement Division, Jonathan Neal Holcomb; Magistrate Lora Davis; No Contest Plea on 11/30/23.
Robert Allen Brown, 23-M07M-00289(1); 20-1-7(31): Failure to check deer in 72 hr; DNR Law Enforcement Division, Jonathan Neal Holcomb; Magistrate Richard Postalwait; No Contest Plea on 11/28/23.

Empowering Parents Workshops

Calhoun Schools will offer three parent workshops to help you with your unique child. Each workshop runs for 6 weeks for approximately two hours. You can choose from: Parenting with Love and Logic, Adults Supporting Youth with Challenging Past, or Supporting youth with special needs. These workshops are beneficial for parents, foster/adoptive parents, educators, social workers, counselors, coaches, mentore and others serving children and teens.

Adults Supporting Youth With Challenging Past (4:30-6:30 p.m.)

1/9/24 - Attachment Relationships are the Foundation
1/16/24 - Dealing with defiance and other difficult behavior
1/23/24 - nothing works without sincere empathy
1/30/24 - setting limits while minimizing power struggles
2/6/24 - suporting learning and achievement in school
2/13/24 - empowering them towards success in life

Parenting with Love and Logic (4:30-6:30 pm.)

1/11/24 - putting an end to arguing, back talk and begging
1/18/24 - teaching responsibility without losing their love
1/25/24 - setting limits without waging war
2/1/24 - avoiding power struggles
2/8/24 - guiding kids to own and solve their problems
2/15/24 - teaching kids to complete chores without reminders and without pay.

Supporting Youth with Special Needs (4:30-6:30 p.m.)

1/10/24 - understanding their unique needs and gifts
1/17/24 - maintaining healthy "can-do" expectations
1/24/24 - developing and maintaining positive parent-teacherrelationships
1/31/24 - reaching discouraged and resistant learners

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.): Dec. 16: Toy Give away 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. and Frank Conn & Partners; Dec. 23: Dixie Highway and Dec. 30: Flannel

Creston Community Building

Christmas Party Dec. 16th

The Creston Community Building will host a Christmas Party at the building on Sat., December 16, 2023, with doors opening at 2:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 3:00 p.m. with ham and turkey provided by the Community Building. Please bring a covered dish. Santa will be arriving at 5:00 p.m. with gifts and treat bags for children up to age 12. Donation of candy would be greatly appreciated. Everyone is welcome! Come out and enjoy an evening to celebrate the Christmas Season. For more information, please feel free to call Barb at 304-275-0006.

The Calhoun Cabaret Presents Strike Notice on

December 16th and 17th

The Calhoun Cabaret proudly presents Strike Notice on December 16th (7:30 p.m.) and 17th (2:30 p.m.) at the Arnoldsburg Community Building.

There is a \$5 admission fee and children under 3 are free.

There will be singing, dancing, Theatre, concessions, raffle, an Ugly Sweater Contest and more.

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New Testament Baptist Church

The BIBLE WAY TO HEAVEN

“Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.: John 14:6

WE ARE ALL SINNERS.

“For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.: Romans 3:23

WE WERE SENT A SAVIOR

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If you have trusted Christ as your Saviour, or would like more information, please contact us:

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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.

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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.

First Baptist Calhoun County Food Pantry

The First Baptist Calhoun Food Pantry located on Rte 5 outside of Grantsville is a non-profit food pantry that is open on Tuesday and Thursday's from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



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Children's Crisis



The Children's Crisis and Referral Line can interrupt behavioral health crises by connecting families with behavioral health services in their communities. The option to call, text, or chat is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at 844-HELP4WV (1-844-435-7498, call or text) or by chat at www.help4wv.com/ccl.

The helpline links families with regional mobile crisis response and stabilization teams that can help deescalate by phone or respond in person.

Emotion Helpline

Are you or your loved ones feeling anxious, overwhelmed or emotionally exhausted? First Choice Services has a 24/7 emotional strength help-line called HELP304 to help navigate these uncertain and unprecedented times. Available via phone, text, or online chat, professional crisis counselors are trained to listen and help you find the way forward with stress-management strategies, as well as community resources and referrals. Talk to someone who cares and can help. Call the helpline at 1-877-HELP304 (877-435-7304) or online chat at www.help304.com.

Broomstick Cemetery Needs Donations

Broomstick Cemetery located in Calhoun County is really in need of donations to keep the cemetery mowed and looking nice for 2023. If you have loved ones buried in the cemetery, Please make a donation! You can send donations to Linda Blankenship, P.O. Box 13 Grantsville, WV 26147.

You can make checks payable to the Broomstick Cemetery Fund. Thank you in advance!

Freed Cemetery Needs Donations

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

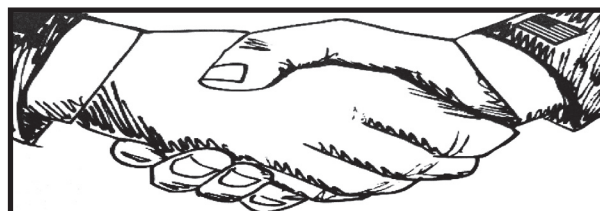
We need your donations to keep it looking neat. If you have loved ones buried in the cemetery, please donate. Donations can be mailed to Liberty Hill Cemetery, 3121 Lemuels Run Road, Mount Zion, WV 26151. Calhoun County Bank has been gracious to accept money in their drop box or donated at the banks. Thanks for your help.

Nobe Cemetery Needs Donations

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In order to maintain upkeep of the Pleasant Hill Cemetery we are accepting donations at: Pleasant Hill Cemetery, PO Box 651, Grantsville, WV 26147. If you have questions or concerns please contact Cheryl Greathouse at 304-354-9513 or you may send an e-mail to cherylgreat@citlink.net. Please make checks payable to Pleasant Hill Cemetery Fund. Checks written payable to Pleasant Hill U.M. Church should state Pleasant Hill Cemetery Fund in the memo. Your donations are greatly appreciated.



12 Step Recovery Meeting

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For more information on the 12 Step Recovery Meetings and resources please contact the Calhoun FRN at 304-354-7177

WIC Program

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Food Pantry

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Library Hours

Calhoun County Library hours are: Mon., Wed. and Fri., 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Tue. and Thur., 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

If you feel sick, please stay home.

We have lots of new books and activities happening.

Civil Air Patrol

Calhoun Civil Air Patrol Squadron holds weekly meetings on Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. located at 413 High Street Grantsville, WV. We are always looking for new members, so stop on by and check us out.

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Calhoun County High School Alumni Association

Contact Information

Calhoun County High School Alumni Association is in need of updated contact information to keep all alumni up-to-date on current events. Return the following information to CCHS Alumni Association, P.O. Box 11, Grantsville, WV 26147, or email to nikkiboatright@gmail.com.

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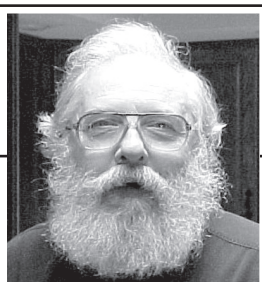
Tuesday's \$5 Line dance classes with Batanya Kay; Bring some friends and enjoy learning new steps. Class begins at 6 p.m.

12/15 John Richards 9 p.m. to Midnight

Creston News

by Alvin Engelke

Phone: 304-275-3578



The Creston Community Christmas party will be Saturday, December 16 at the Community Building. The meal will be at 3 P. M. and a visitor from the far northern latitudes is scheduled to arrive at 5 P. M. Please contact Barb at 275-0006 to advise what side dish you are bringing for the meal. Everyone is welcome.

Carl Ferrell is to have heart bypass Monday morning in Huntington.

Kathleen Cervonne's sister Linda who lives in Columbus is not doing well at all. Sister Nancy has been staying with her. Her husband also took a turn for the worse and was unable to come home.

Some Creston & Annamoriah residents attended the Farm Bureau/W. Va. Forestry Association legislative dinner at the Wood County 4-H grounds. There was a big crowd.

The state road is once again trimming tree limbs along W. Va. 5 as, it would appear that the state is awash in cash that needs to be spent and all the maintenance work is done. However, it was learned that a bridge up Lynn Camp was deemed unsafe and parents from there had to go to school to get their children. But the "tree trimming" involves big contracts and, gee whiz, some folks have to pay for their lavish vacations.

J. P. Marks & Steve Loudin were among those calling at the Creston Space Dock.

The class action lawsuits against Tug Hill and Jay Bee are being finalized. Both were accused of wrongfully taking deductions from royalty payments from Marcellus & Utica wells.

I believe a fellow contributor to the paper

is suffering from a very bad case of TDS. Seems she fears that the "Christians" are going to "get her". Perhaps we should all be concerned that the "new Nazis/terror supporters" want to kill us all. Israel is the "little satan" and America is the "great satan" and it is always "death to the infidels" both Jewish and Christian.

Also, she calls Trump a "grifter". Grifters are neer do well folks who get into politics and get rich like the Manchins, Soteris, Clintons, Bidens, etc. Trump is the only modern day president who ended his presidency not as wealthy as when he started. One might also wonder about the hatred for the Bible that was written by a group of Hebrew/Jewish men. Were Moses, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Matthew, Peter, John & Paul evil men?

The big "global warming" conference continues in the air conditioned comfort of luxury hotels in the United Arab Emirates. Some of the private jets that were bringing some of the 70,000 party goers to the conference couldn't leave the airport in Munich Germany because of excess snow & ice. The UN head honcho Antonio Guterres said that we would have to stop producing oil & gas to which one Arab noted that the problem, if there was one, was how the products were used. He noted it would be like blaming farmers for an excess of obesity. Another noted that if the UN biggie was sincere about "global warming" he would have arrived in a wooden sailing ship equipped with oars rather than by private jet. While there the attendees feasted on the best of fare while saying that we

should subsist on insects. U S "climate envoy" John Heintz Kerry did his personal part in generating unnatural gas during his speech/rant.

The Henry Hub price of natural gas is now \$2.58/MMBTU while local customers who buy gas retail pay \$13 or more. One well known Calhoun oil & gas man sells a consequential amount of natural gas in Gilmer County directly to Hope Gas, the residential supplier that has almost 150,000 customers. He was paid just 5 cents/mcf and the company has the nerve to ask for a rate increase. Such a price reminds one of the account from over a century ago, likely in 1920 when Eva Engelke was having natural gas installed in her mother's home which she shared. Godfrey L. Cabot himself was overseeing the installation by his wo4rkers. Mrs. Engelke asked, "What will be the price of the gas?" Mr. Cabot answered, "15 cents/ thousand." She then said, "How long will it be 15 cents/ thousand?" To which Mr. Cabot replied, "As long as there is gas in my lines." In those days gas sold wholesale at 6 cents/mcf., just for the purpose of perspective.

Derrick Evans who is running for congress was visiting with voters in Grantsville and at Cabot Station.

The price of local Pennsylvania grade crude dipped to \$70.23/bbl. with condensate, formerly known as Appalachian light sweet was just \$52.23/bbl. Marcellus & Utica light was \$61.23 and medium brought \$70.23/bbl.

Democratic Viewpoint

Submitted by Deirdre Purdy

THE CANDIDATE AND THE COURTS

I'm retired now, but for several decades I specialized in federal criminal defense, so people ask me about the Trump cases.

Their most frequent question – "Will he get jail time? Will he go to prison?" Yes, I think Judge Chutkan, for one, would not hesitate to treat him like any other convicted defendant and impose a prison sentence.

But to the implied conclusion that a prison sentence would somehow end his candidacy or prevent him from becoming president, the answer is no.

Trump counts on his election to save his legal bacon, and he's right. If he becomes a duly elected president, he will be unstoppable. That's exactly why he's running – for his Get Out of Jail Free card. Only a Biden victory can prevent it.

Trump's indictments on 91 felony counts give him a courtroom stage where his protests, name calling and general disruption stand out and garner even more coverage as they contrast with the formal order of the court and undermine its authority.

Trump has tied the courts in knots balancing his core political speech as a candidate against the orderly administration of justice.

Trump has not a scintilla of interest in the orderly administration of justice. The more chaotic he makes it look, the more unfair it seems to his supporters. Just as he yells in all caps, he's a victim of the deep state and the politicized, weaponized justice system.

Meanwhile, as a candidate, Trump is getting more free speech than any defendant would ever be allowed. A defendant who denounced the "racist AG," the "psycho" judge, and his "corrupt" clerk, for conspiring with Joe Biden and others to "DESTROY OUR COUNTRY" would likely be sent to a Federal Medical Center for a psych eval. An FMC is a federal prison with docs and meds.

Trial courts impose gag orders to stop Trump's attacks on witnesses, court staff, judges and prosecutors. Appeal courts finick around the words – can he not

"target" or "disparage," or is it "attack?" Meanwhile, Trump mocks the whole process by targeting, attacking, disparaging, smearing, and discrediting anyone he hasn't been ordered not to: "You didn't say I couldn't target the judge's wife."

Step by step, Trump is discrediting the American justice system. He delays, he appeals. As a former president and current candidate, every step in the judicial process does raise unprecedented issues. But to those issues, Trump requires his lawyers to throw up every spurious and ridiculous argument he can think of, mocking not just the law, but reason itself.

Nevertheless, the prosecutors and courts will do their jobs—as they must - charging crimes where there is probable cause, protecting Defendant Trump's right to core political speech, and giving Defendant Trump a fair trial, no matter how hard he works to derail and corrupt the process.

As a result, before the 2024 election, Trump will almost surely be convicted of a felony, maybe on the four felony counts in the January 6 insurrection case. Polling suggests that fewer people would vote for him if he's a convicted felon. But simply being a convicted felon is no bar to running for president or to being elected.

The Constitutional requirements to be president are minimal: A person must be at least 35 years old, be a natural-born citizen and have lived in the U.S. for at least 14 years. Courts have routinely found no others may be added. A felony conviction is not a bar to the presidency. Nor would a prison sentence stop Trump from becoming the duly elected president.

I emphasize those words because if he wins the election, if he is duly elected, Trump will have all the powers of the presidency: to seek his own release to carry out his presidential duties, possibly to pardon himself and many others (think January 6), and to appoint an Attorney General to dismiss any remaining federal charges. (That's just the Day One agenda.)

(At that point, the Georgia state case becomes irrelevant. No state court can remove the duly elected president from the presidency.)

There is a second legal avenue Trump opponents are taking, looking to the courts to keep Trump off the ballot under the 14 th Amendment. Section 3, the "disqualification clause," says that no person shall hold office if they have & previously taken an oath as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States & and "engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the Constitution."

A Denver District Court judge recently found that Trump engaged in insurrection.

The court's findings of fact are thorough, detailed, damning, (and a pleasure to read). On the legal question, though, the court sidestepped a hard decision by ruling that the president was not an "officer of the United States." Commonsense says "nope."

Clearly, SCOTUS must quickly decide the question: Is candidate Trump, who engaged in insurrection, disqualified from holding federal office under the Fourteenth Amendment of the Constitution?

Our current Supreme Court, with its three Trump appointees, its 6-3 conservative majority, its cavalier attitude toward facts and precedent, and its unique theory of how to read to Constitution could possibly perhaps find that Trump is ineligible to hold office. Or not.

We cannot count on the courts to prevent a second Trump presidency. A felony conviction is not a bar. A prison sentence is not a bar. Constitutional disqualification hangs on the whims of SCOTUS. (Remember the 2000 election?)

The only sure way to prevent a second Trump presidency is to ensure he is not the duly elected president. He must be defeated at the ballot box.

Trump's defeat in the presidential election is also the only way to ensure that he is punished for his crimes. He must be defeated at the ballot box.

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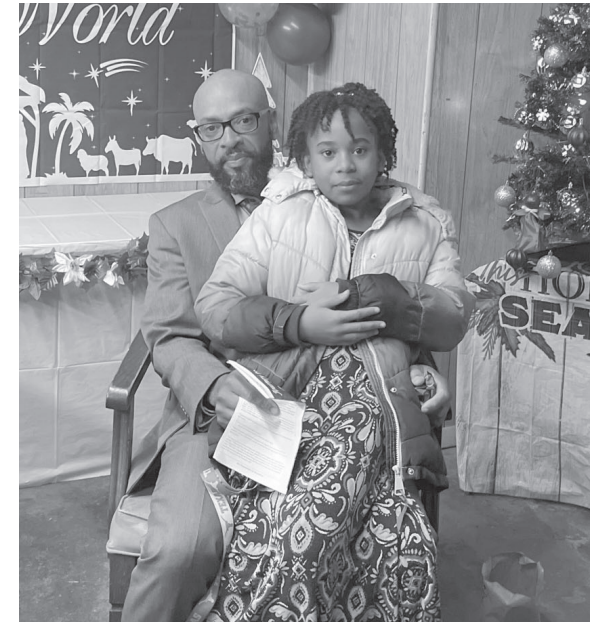
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Journey to Bethlem Dec. 9th was a Success





A Glimpse Into LKVCS

By Brylee Rowe

Little Kanawha Valley Christian School has been buzzing with Christmas excitement recently. Last week was a busy time of preparations for their Christmas program last Friday, which included scripture, a play, and some tasty snacks. These last couple weeks before Christmas break are always full of fun, excitement, and activities each year.

Over the past weeks, the kids have had a fun treat at the very start of the school day: singing Christmas songs as they dance down the hall to their classrooms. It always gives the kids a fun start to their day. As the Christmas program approached last Friday, the kids spent a lot of time in the church building as they practiced their play, Peanut Butter Christmas. The lead roles were Samuel Snider as Dad, Bayleigh Carper as Mom, Eli Kinder as Davey, Cyrena Wilson as Ruthie, and Brody Rowe as Joshua. This family, the Carpenters, had had a horrible holiday--their presents were stolen, they had no heat, and were stuck at the motel due to a blizzard; their Christmas was ruined until they remembered that all you need to celebrate Christmas is Jesus. The play was followed soon after with a delicious spread of cookies, assorted chips, popcorn, and punch.

LKVCS also held their annual food drive, during which all the kids bring in food to donate to food pantries. This year they donated almost 800 items to the First Baptist and Creston food pantries; Mrs. Michelle Fitzwater's class donated the most items out of any other class, totaling an extraordinary 358 items. That class gets a small trophy that they will keep until next year's food drive, where they will have to win it back again to retain their title.

So, after that hectic week of preparing and working, the kids are rewarded with an extra fun week before Christmas break. Spirit Week is a fun time where students get to dress up in different silly ways, such as overaccessorizing with Christmas bling or wearing their hair in a crazy hairstyle. This week is also characterized by a somewhat lighter workload, which leaves more time for games and Christmas fun!

LKVCS is always lit up with excitement around the Christmas season because it's when Jesus's birthday is celebrated. As the holiday is fast approaching, the kids and teachers are all thrilled to celebrate this wonderful time of year together and with their families.



Picture: Front (left to right): Eli Kinder, Josiah McAbee, Mason Cunningham, Vada Barnhart, and Braidin Ferrel. Back: Aubry Richards, MiKenna Wease, Miah Wolford, Clara Barnhart, and Jaycee Barr. Absent: Samuel Snider and Morgan McFee.

Please help the animals of Calhoun County Christmas Raffle

By Patty Laughlin

Hi everyone. This Christmas raffle has it all, including gifts to give. You'll find decorations, cooking/gift giving/ serving items, stocking stuffers, adorable dog themed items and other goodies. There is also some very nice WVU Mountaineer gifts to give to that special someone or gift to yourself.

The proceeds from this raffle will be used to spay two dogs and help with their meds and other items.

Fortunately I was able to get a greatly reduced price for these two ladies. Each spay will be \$80 dollars.

A portion will also go towards having Ms. Sweet Pea vetted yet again. After many vet visits, with several vets and different treatments at a combined cost of nearly \$1,000, there has still been no definitive diagnosis and treatment of her severe skin issue. I cannot see her continue to suffer. I have spent many hours studying what may be the cause of her painful condition. I think her next vet visit will be the turning point. I believe she will be properly diagnosed and treated. A huge thanks to everyone that participates in the raffles. Please know that you make a huge difference in the lives of many local dogs and their families. Merry Christmas.

Please message Patty Turner Laughlin on Facebook for more information.

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You can also get information by going to www.WV811.com To prevent potential injuries from accidental utility line dig-ins, state law requires customers and contractors to call WV811 at least two working days before digging. Third-party damage is the leading cause of accidents involving utility lines. WV811 will alert Dominion Energy West Virginia and other participating utilities of customer and contractor plans to dig. WV811 will ask these utilities to mark the approximate location of their underground gas lines and utility cables, so that customers won't find them by accident. Also, for safety's sake, customers and contractors should only dig around utility lines by hand. If you do come in contact with a pipeline or smell natural gas (though natural gas is odorless in nature, mercaptan, a non-toxic chemical odorant that smells like rotten eggs, is often added to make it easier to identify), be alert and follow these steps: Stop work and evacuate to a safe distance; Alert everyone on the premises; Do not strike a match; use a telephone; operate engines and motors; or switch on/off appliances, lights, or even a flashlight in the area where you smell gas. These items can produce a spark that might ignite; Once safe, call 911 if there is blowing gas; Call the emergency number provided by the natural gas operators in your area: DEWV customers call 800-934-3187; Do not try to fix the pipe or slow the rate of leaking gas; Do not try to extinguish a gas-burning fire unless there is a threat to life and Do not operate any of the gas company's valves.

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Gov. Justice, SBA, approve over \$111 million for new schools and school upgrades in 19 counties

December 11, 2023--CHARLESTON, WV — Gov. Justice, as Chairman of the West Virginia School Building Authority (SBA), announced a historic milestone today as the SBA approved an allocation of \$111,687,534 to 19 counties for Fiscal Year 2024.

This funding, the largest annual award by the SBA since 2011, will be used to construct ten new schools and perform major renovations on thirteen existing schools across the state.

"I am truly proud to vote for this historic investment in our schools, because it represents our unwavering commitment to providing West Virginia students with the best possible learning environment," Gov. Justice said. "This funding doubles down on our belief that every student deserves access to a high-quality education. These new and upgraded facilities will ensure our students have the resources and technology needed to succeed in the classroom and beyond."

Counties receiving funds to build new schools include:

Berkeley — \$8,333,333: To be used for construction of a new primary and intermediate school. This is a multi-year commitment with the same recurring payment over three years for a total award sum of \$25,000,000.

Wood — \$9,309,647: To be used for construction of three new schools: Lubeck Elementary, Vienna Elementary, and North Parkersburg Elementary. This is a multi-year commitment with the same recurring payment over three years for a total award sum of \$27,928,940.

Wyoming — \$15,711,654: To be used for construction of the new Mullens PK-8 School.

Fayette — \$15,625,860: To be used for construction of the new Midland Trail Elementary School.

Taylor — \$7,306,600: To be used for construction of the new Anna Jarvis Elementary School.

Marshall — \$9,213,555: To be used for construction of the new Benwood-McMechen Elementary School.

Counties receiving funds to renovate existing schools include:

Harrison — \$5,842,600: To be used for additions and renovations at Nutter Fort Primary School and Simpson Elementary School.

Grant \$4,755,330: To be used for additions and renovations at Petersburg Elementary School.

Jackson — \$13,547,398: To be used for additions and renovations at Ripley Middle School.

Greenbrier — \$6,707,058: To be used for additions and renovations at Frankford Elementary School.

Mason — \$1,249,000: To be used for upgrades at Roosevelt Elementary School.

Logan — \$3,000,000: To be used for foundational and structural upgrades at Logan County Middle School.

Randolph — \$558,110: To be used for a partial roof replacement at Elkins Middle School.

Calhoun — \$4,839,829: To be used for renovations at Calhoun Middle/High School.

Morgan — \$367,100: To be used for renovations at Berkeley Springs High School.

Hancock — \$987,720: To be used for renovations at Oak Glen Middle School.

Gilmer — \$724,693: To be used for renovations at Gilmer County High School.

Tucker — \$1,965,945: To be used for wastewater treatment plant upgrades for Tucker County High School.

Barbour — \$1,642,102: To be used for renovations at Philippi Elementary School.

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