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The Grantsville News

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Grantsville, West Virginia 26147 Thursday, April 11, 2024

Endorses VTA Graham Knight for Calhoun County **Sheriff**

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County Sheriff Grtaham Knight has received endorsement from the West Virginia Trooper's Association in his bid for re-election in May 2024.

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On behalf of the members of the West Virginia Troopers Association, we are pleased to endorse your candidacy for Sheriff of Calhoun County. Our association is impressed by your commitment to the well-being of West Virginia State Troopers and commitment to Public Safety.

On behalf of West Virginia Troopers and the communities we serve, we are eager to work with you to address critical issues that concern the public safety of our communities, including, protecting, and improving the lives of our Troopers. In addition, we will encourage our membership and their families to be involved in your

ease feel free to list our organization in your campaign materials stating our endorsement. We look forward ng with you. In the event you have not already done so, please provide your cell phone number. If you questions, please contact me at (304) 871-6969.

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Jeff Chumley-WVTA President



2024 National Donate Life Month

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

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

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

"As a health system, we are uniquely positioned to not only tend to the health of our patients, but to impire our community to be mindful of wellness in all aspects of life," said Stephen Whited, CEO. "The more people we can inspire to become organ donors, the better we can serve our mission to be leading advocates for the well-being of our entire community."

Donate Life flag during the month of April. The flag is a visible and unifying statement about the importance of donation and celebrates the hundreds of thousands of donors and recipients whose lives been affected by organ, tissue and cornea donatio

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

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

 Every 10 minutes, another person who needs a transplant is added to the national waitlist One organ donor can save up to eight lives while a tissue donor can improve the lives of others.
- Omerson is a possibility only after all efforts to save the patient's life have been exhausted, tests have been performed to confirm the absence of vital signs, and brain death has been declared.

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

March 2024 Magistrate Court Report

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OBITUARIES

The Calhoun Chronicle did not receive any obituaries prior to printing deadline

There is a sacredness in tears. They are not the mark of weakness, but of power. They speak more eloquently than ten thousand tongues. They are the messengers of overwhelming grief, of deep contrition, and of unspeakable love.'

- Washington Irving

Broomstick Cemetery Needs Donations

Broom.stick Cemetery located in Calhoun County is really in need of donations to keep the cemetery mowed and looking nice for 2024. 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

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 bemailed 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

If you have family buried in the cemetery, please make a donation. You can send donations to Barb Roberts, 359 Nobe Road, Big Bend, WV 26136 or for more information on how you can help the Nobe Cemetery call 304-354-7329. Thank you in advance.

Pleasant Hill Cemetery Needs Donations

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 appreciated.

Sand Ridge Cemetary News

Donations for Sandridge Cemetery for 2023 Stanley Hall-\$462.74; Charles & Anlea Wilson -\$300.00; Paul & Ronnie Vannoy-\$225.00; Willard Garrett Family-\$220.00; Susan Hall-\$200.00; Janet Siers-\$200.00; Tassie Kincaid-\$160.00; Bill & Sandy Vannoy-\$150.00; Sue Collins-\$100.00; Arnel Stump-\$100.00; Myra Painter-\$100.00; Charlotte Siegrist-\$100.00; Bill Davis-\$100.00; Alton Altizer-\$100.00; Ralph Powell-\$100.00; Lenell Stalnaker-\$100.00; Roscoe Gainer-\$50.00; Pamela Breeze-\$50.00; Earl & Becky Hall-\$50.00 and Total \$2,867.44

Removal, Flower removal, mowing & expenses - \$2,475.90

Balance \$391.84

Please Send donations to:

Crystal Conley

1926 Sand Ridge Road Arnoldsburg, WV 25234

Make Checks payable to Sand Ridge Cemetery

Thank you! Albert Chapel does not give money to mow

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Rambling Prose By Linda Crawford

(Leave a message 304-655-8621)

Spring! Sprang! Sprung! The color guard has finally changed from blue skies with puffy white clouds to the same with green grass. Along with that comes gardening and solutions are needed for bugs The solution I had heard about now sounds worse that awful. Supposedly insects don't like noise.

A clapping or whacking sound will drive them away. But they supposedly get immune to that so 'hard rock" music is recommended. That would not sit well with me but it got me to thinking. It's been said plants like music. I always have a lot of music but think the indirect light had a lot to do with the plants doing well! What would "hard rock" do? And if that chases what we call pests away. What about the good bugs that we want? "Mole chasers" supposedly use vibration. Do the plants pull up oots and run?

How do plants and wildlife, including insects respond to the giant mole chaser windmills? One windmill kept a town awake at night so it was off at night. When they got the \$15,000.00 needed they removed it. Unless you live way out and away you would likely bother the neighbors. It would be a good experiment for someone. I would kinda like to know. But not enough to invest in it.

Spring Revival & Singing at

Macfarlan Community Church

Spring Revival & Singing at Macfarlan Community Church with speaker Adam Cheeseman. April 8th - Fri., April 12th 7 pm located at 7919 Staunton Tpke, Macfarlan, WV

Creston Community ATV Spring Poker Run

The Creston Community Building's Spring ATV Poker Run is scheduled for Saturday, April 27. Creston is 13 miles from Elizabeth and 14 miles from Grantsville on WV Route 5. Signs will be posted to follow as you get close. Address is 340 Anns Run Road, Creston, WV 26141. Registration from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon at the Creston Community Building - \$10 entry fee. 1st Place 30%, 2nd Place 10%, 3rd Place 10%. Riders must stop at all stations or will be disqualified. Riders must return to the building by the posted deadline for payout. Door Prizes - 50/50 – The kitchen will be open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. For more information call (304) 494-4064 or (304) 275-3578.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Thurs., April 11: Food Pantry, Rt. 5, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. a.m. to 1 p.m.

CMHS Senior Girls Parent Child Softball Team travels FRN, 4:30 p.m. to South Harrison, 5:00

Grantsville 6:00 p.m. Pickleball Club, NYA Building, 7 p.m

Pool at the Country Kitchen, 7:30 p.m.

Fri., April 12: CMHS Track travels to Ritchie County

Parent Child Group, FRN, a.m. to 1 p.m. 1:30 p.m. Arnoldsburg Elementary School.

Sat., April 13: 1982 Annual Spring Fling and

Commission 7:30 p.m. County Meeting, 9:00 a.m. Little courtroom

First Baptist Calhoun First Baptist Calhoun Food Pantry, Rt. 5, 11

Save the Children Group,

Calhoun Civil Air

Patrol, 413 High Street, Grantsville

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

Girls Softball travels to Braxton County, 5:00 p.m.

Thurs., 18:First Baptist Calhoun Save the Children Food Pantry, Rt. 5, 11

> Girls Softball are at home against Webster County High School, CMHS, 5:00 p.m.

Grantsville Youth Turkey Hunt 9:00 Pickleball Club, NYA Building, 7 p.m

Pool Tournament Tues., April 16: at the Country Kitchen,

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My Home Among the Hills



by Mellody Walburn

I am mourning the end of my spring break today. How can a week go by so quickly? At least I was mentally prepared for the bad weather that made its way here and didn't really leave until the last day of my vacation. On the positive side, the inclement weather gave me a good reason to stay put and just

I had already planned a "staycation" where I would read, watch movies, and spend time with family and friends.

I spent Monday recovering from a very busy weekend. I slept in, had a leisurely morning, and then did a little straightening up and cleaning. I also paid some bills and finished up the library books I wanted to take back to get more.

The weather for Tuesday wasn't looking good, so I headed out early to get me errands run before

My first stop was the bank, and then I was off to Hardman's. The sky was looking rather ominous, so I hurried on to the library next. I turned in my library books and checked out five more. I needed to go to the grocery store, but I stopped in to check on my parents and Rascal first. Dad gave me a short list of the groceries they needed, and I was off again. While I was in Foodland, I heard a number of phone alarms going off alerting their owners we were under a tornado watch. I made my purchases, dropped off a few bags to my parents' house, and headed home. I was only inside for a few minutes before the sky opened up and the winds kicked into gear.

I made myself some lunch and a cup of coffee and settled on the couch to watch the storm and read

Unfortunately, the wind did a number on the power, and my lights soon went out. Usually when this happens, the power is restored quickly, so I didn't think much of it. I ate my lunch, moved to the couch by the big picture window, and kept reading. I read all afternoon and finished the book just as it was getting too dark to read. I called Maricia to check in with her before my cell phone died. She and Andy offered to bring over a big flashlight and a battery charger to keep my phone working.

Thankfully I have a gas oven, so I was able to make myself some dinner. I made myself an omelet and a cup of hot tea and returned to the couch by the window. Strangely only the houses right around me had no power. The bank sign and parking lot lights were shining brightly. This gave me hope that my lights might come on soon.

After another two hours in the dark and reading about the storm on Facebook, I was beginning to believe that might not be the case. At that point, I decided to take a shower, put on my pajamas, and read in bed. Thankfully, I had charged my Kindle that morning and downloaded a book. This meant I could read even without lights. I read until my eyes grew tired and then went to sleep.

The power was still out in the morning, and I was starting to worry about the food in my fridge and freezer. I was even more worried when I read that the power might not be restored until late Thursday evening. I decided to phone my friend Erin and ask if she would be willing to save what she could. She and her kids came over to visit, and we loaded everything into her van. Then we went to visit my parents for a bit. We spent a few hours there, and then Erin took me home. Ironically, the power came back on while we were gone. I had dinner with the Mlyneks and then headed to Bible Study.

The rest of the week flew by. On Friday I went on a road trip with the Mlyneks and Barnharts to Cairo, West Virginia. We had promised the kids an adventure, so we took them climbing. There is a small indoor climbing area right in the middle of Cairo. The kids and a few adults had a great time challenging themselves to climb the different walls.

State Junior Conservation Camp

CHARLESTON, WV - The West Virginia state Junior Conservation Camp has lowered its age requirements to allow 10-year-olds to register for the five-day, overnight camp at Cedar Lakes in Ripley. Sponsored by the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection's (WVDEP) Youth Environmental Program, this year's camp is set for June 17-21 and is open to youth ages 10-14.

Until this year, campers had to be at least 11. The cost of camp is \$175 per person but scholarships, which cover the entire cost, are available on a firstcome, first-served basis. The deadline to register for the camp is May 1. A day at camp includes classes on topics such as recycling, forestry, hunter safety, wildlife, water study and much more. Other activities include archery, canoeing, swimming, hiking and various sports. Instruction is provided by professionals from the WVDEP, Division of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry, West Virginia University Extension and other volunteers.

For scholarship information or to obtain a camp registration form, contact Camp Director Annette Hoskins at 304-414-9759, or email: Annette.L.Hoskins@wv.gov. Registration forms also are available by going to the WVDEP website and typing "Junior Conservation Camp" into the search bar. For more WVDEP news and information, go to https://dep.wv.gov. Also, connect with the

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agency on all social media platforms.

This Week In Calhoun History

The following reports are taken from the Calhoun Chronicle Archives.

1924, 100 YEARS AGO: Aunt Jinny Lees Plantation Recipes: Shades o' sugar cane! What a time we do have supplying husky young appetites with enough "in between" bites. Now as a rule I don't believe in feeding children between meals but when you have a crop of lively jumpin' jacks around the place like we have you've just got to so something to keep 'em goin'. We find one way to appease them until meal time is to give them several little ginger snaps or vanilla wafers. These are not heavy and yet they will fill up the children until meal time. Course we don't buy 'em at the store1 We make 'em ourselves and they taste every mite as good if not better than those bought at the stores. Here is the Snappy Ginger Snaps recipe: Rub ½ cup butter together with ½ cup fat, add 1 cup brown sugar, a cup of molasses and a well beaten egg. Sift a teaspoonful of ginger, one of cloves and one of cinnamon together with enough self-rising flour or hot water until the dough gets to the right consistency for rolling out real thin. Place in buttered tins. Let this stand ten minutes and then bake in a moderate oven.

1949, 75 YEARS AGO: Meeting Held By Legion Auxiliary: An interesting meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary was held in the Legion Home, Tuesday evening, April 12. Mrs. Velma Kemper president presiding. Mrs. Pearl Sampson was voted membership.

Final plans were completed for the Cabot dinner, April 29 and the Woman's Club dinner, May 3. Mrs. Sue Ayers was named to represent the Auxiliary at the Little Kanawha Regional Council meetings. A check of \$4.00 from Mrs. Virginia Pike Department secretary was received for membership quota due in before Marh 1. A number of members signified their intention of attending the 3 rd District Spring Conference to be held in Weston May 4, also Parkersburg, April 24 honoring the Reginal President, Mrs. Hubert Goode. Mrs. Verle making West Virginia a Court. Stewart, Mrs. Grace Haught and Mrs. Nora Lee Stemple were named as state. nominating committee to select members for the coming year.

The highlight of the evening was the Easter hat parade and the judges, Gail Nutter, L.C. Hamilton, Jr. and Andy Stemple were unable to make a selection as the various models exhibited but honorable mention was made of Mrs. Effie Bickerstaff, Mrs. Virginia Tucker, Mrs. Nina Pearcy and Mrs. Nell Stiers. Final decision will be made Wednesday night at the dinner honoring the state Commander Wilson. Delicious refreshments were served to Mesdames Velma Kemper, Nina Pearcy, Sue Ayers, Gracie Fogle, Grace Haught, Margaret Blosser, Genevieve Conner, Loverne Powell, Norm Lee Stemple, Willa Stump, Nell Stiers, Eleanor Johnson, Verle Stewart, Effie Bickerstaff, Nell Hamilton, Dessie Davis and Virginia Tucker.

1974, 50 YEARS AGO: Craftsmen and Musicians Are Invited For Mountain Heritage Day: Mountain Hertiage is a word, as Calhoun high school students plan and prepare for their third annual Mountain Heritage Day to be held at the high school April 26. If you feel any trace of mountain blood in your bones or you have a hankering to learn of mountain folk ways and culture, come to the school and see what the students have planned. The activities will begin approximately at noon time and will last throughout the day. Loof for a time schedule to be posted in this newspaper later.

The students planning committee has secured outstanding craftsmen and musicians to appear at the Mountain Heritage day. The craftsmen will be exhibiting mountain articles as well as demonstrating their particular skills throughout the afternoon and evening.

Charles C. Scott, well-known are instructor at Glenville State College, will be featured in pottery demonstrations. Scott has received the Craftsman USA National Merit Award for his professional excellence in ceramics. He has exhibited his work at the West Virginia Arts and Crafts Fair, the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., and in many public exhibitions in the eastern United States. His ceramic work has been purchased by museums and is in the private collection of a former president, a well-known author and at least 13 governors.

Mike Bailey, Gilmer County high school student, will display some of the remarkable woodworking projects he has completed. Although Mike is a young craftsman, he has made several walnut spinning wheels and has back orders for several more. In addition to making new spinning wheels, Mike also repairs antique wheels. Throughout the day Mike can be seen demonstrating his ability at the spinning wheel.

Virginia McTeer, 4-H Agent with the West Virginia University Extension Service from Wood County, will display and demonstrate vegetable dyeing. Mrs. McTeer uses native West Virginia materials such as lichens and walnut hulls to obtain beautiful colors for yarn dyeing. Mrs. McTeer holds a masters degree in Appalachian Crafts from East Tennessee State University.

William Gerhold, is a well-known West Virginia artist whose paintings reflect the mood of the land of American and its people Gerhold is an artist teacher at Marietta College where he is chairman of the Art Department. Listed in Who's Who in American Art, his painting have won countless awards and his work is presented in 21 state, Australia and Canada.

Other craftsmen appearing are: Charles Brown, Huntington, spring pole lathe wood turning; Genus Cottrell, Ivydale, wood crafts; Virginia Duckworth, Mineral Wells, apple and corn husk dolls; Lillian Umstead, Grantsville, dolls; Betty Krugman, Effie Mills and Ruth Holbert, quilting.

Senior Citizens Menu

Menu for the Senior carrots, fruit, whole wheat bread, applesauce. Citizens Center (2% milk bread and margarine available open from 8:30 a.m. to cornbread, fruit 12:15 p.m.)

chicken patty with mayo, green beans, onion, whole wheat vegetables, fruit.

tomatoes, sausage, apples, whole peas, whole wheat bread,

wheat biscuit Mon., April 15:

Tues., April 16: calico daily): (Dining hall is beans, kale, whole wheat

> Wed., April **17**: pasta, wheat roll, fruit

Thurs., April 18: banana pudding

Fri., April 19: lasagna, chicken tenders, potatoes, vegetables, whole wheat

Monthly income, \$700 or less, \$1.25 per meal; \$701 to \$800, \$1.50; \$801 to \$900, \$1.75; \$901 or April 11: meatloaf, mashed potatoes, above, \$2. Guests under age 60, \$5.25.

You may drive-by/pick-Fri., April 12: cream salisbury steak with brown up meals from 11 to 11:30 potatoes, gravy, mashed potatoes, a.m., Monday-Friday, by calling CCCOA, 304-354-7017, to be placed on

WV State Treasury Office will conduct an

Unclaimed Property Search at the Calhoun Committee

On Aging on April 24th at 10 am

April 24th @ 10:00 am at the CCCOA the 'WV State Treasury Office will be conducting unclaimed asset searches for Calhoun and surrounding area residents, and helping process claims. We will also have information available for SMART529 Education saving plan \$100 deposits for children under one year old, or under one year of being adoption. Please add this date to your calendar and stop in between 10am and Noon for assistance and information.

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Charleston WV – The following events happened on

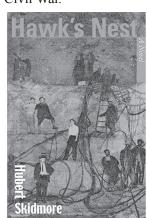
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1821: April Congressman the first West Virginian John Abraham Lincoln's



April 11, 1847: Diarist Sirene Bunten was born Sculptor Bill in French Creek, Upshur was born. The Sutton County. As a teenager, artist's works appear in she kept a diary about her government buildings, daily activities, including museums, churches, and emotional accounts of hospitals around West life on the West Virginia Virginia, home front during the nation, and abroad. Civil War.



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

April 12, 1865: The 36th Virginia Infantry, known as the Logan Wildcats, disbanded. The Confederate company was created at Logan in Parkersburg. Courthouse on June 3, 1861, and consisted of about 85 men. The company saw its first action in the Battle of



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

Clarence Darrow

Richard Nixon.



1873: Jacob Lawyer, diplomat Beeson Blair was born and 1924 Democratic in Parkersburg. Blair was candidate for president William Davis to be told by President was born in Clarksburg. Lincoln of Davis argued 141 cases support for before the U.S. Supreme

His last case was one of the most controversial, when he argued in 1952 to continue racial segregation South in Carolina.



April 13, 1951: Hopen

April 14, 1774: Surveyors met at the mouth of the Kanawha River to establish military bounty claims in Kentucky. They became involved in several skirmishes with Indians in the region. This was the start of Dunmore's War, the name given to the conflict in the Ohio Valley in the spring of



April 15, 1872: Peter Godwin Van Winkle died

Van Winkle member of Governor's Council of the Reorganized Government of Virginia, Scary Creek in Putnam 1861-63, under Gov. Francis Pierpont.

> On August 4, 1863, Van Winkle was elected as one of West Virginia's first two U.S. senators.



April 16, 1829: Jacob

born in Parkersburg. In 1881, he became West Virginia's sixth governor.



April 1894: Leonard Riggleman was born in a Randolph County cabin. president of Morris Harvey College (now University Charleston), he moved the school to Charleston in 1935 and led the college to accreditation in 1958.



April 16, Arch Moore was born in Moundsville. He was the first governor in 100 years to serve a second term, and he returned later for a third. He also was the second former governor to serve federal prison time.

April 17, 1827: Outdoorsman William "Squirrelly Bill" Carpenter born was on the Elk River near the mouth of Laurel Creek. Carpenter guided prominent West Virginians, including MacCorkle. Gov. through the wonders of the Elk Valley.

April 17, 1871: West virginians approved the Flick Amendment, which allowed former Confederates to vote. It also applied to formerly enslaved people, but they had been enfranchised already by the 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.



April 17, Actress Jennifer Garner was born in Houston but grew up in Charleston, appearing in various stage productions.

Now a leading actress in film, television, and theater, she won both a Golden Globe and Screen Actors Guild award for her role in the show Alias.



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Op-Ed by Gaylen Duskey 304-354-7227

In between the time this was written and its publication we had a solar eclipse, and we are all talking about it and how we watched it and how it felt.

If some of those conspiracy theories surrounding the eclipse are true then we all could be dead or facing the final apocalypse or prison of the Chinese or our own government.

What are some of the top theories:

* Lizard men will come out of the darkness. Yeah.

* Seven towns named Ninevah will be in the eclipse path filling some kind of prophecy since the Ninevah of the Bible was considered an evil town. To begin with there are only six town in the United States named Ninevah. Only Ninevah, Ohio, and Ninevah, Ind., are in the path.

* The Chinese will follow the eclipse into the country since that is the way their spy balloon went. Wrong. The balloon went west to east, and the eclipse is going south to north.

* Animals will go insane. Maybe but it is really only confusion by the change from day to night back to day in a few short minutes causing that.

* It could become cold and windy which some feel is God casting a pall on earth. Wrong. This is just nature for it to be colder and perhaps windier during periods of darkness.

* Radio and telephone signals may be affected. Very possible but they also quickly clear up.

* The eclipse will make the whole world go dark from three to five days.

* The government is planning to institute martial law since they have been activating guardsmen. No, this is just for crowd control if needed since some small towns will have their populations skyrocket because of people coming in

* Then there is the great 48 theory people say the east coast earthquake was a 4.8 on the Richter Scale, they say to read Exodus 4:8, read all books chapter 4 and verse 8 in the Bible. A stretch? My birth year was 48 is that special?

There are a lot of bizarre ideas about the eclipse but for me it could be or was the best day of my life. Why? I because I woke up in the morning and I

One great eclipse story from the 1904 eclipse, the last total eclipse to hit Ohio was recounted in a story in the Springfield Sun.

Quoting from the story in the Sun: "Before the April 8 solar eclipse happens, let's take a look at the last time this area experienced a total solar eclipse 218 years ago. 'Some historians say that the 1806 Eclipse contributed to the start of the

War of 1812. And an interesting story that is.

"The total eclipse on June 13, 1806 is also known as the Tecumseh Eclipse.

"The year 1806 was a turbulent time in Ohio and the Northwest Territory immediately to its west and north. Although Ohio had become a state in 1803, the northwest corner of the state belonged to the Shawnee and other tribes. The Greenville Treaty had allowed for them to live there peacefully. A cautious

"But things were different next door in the Indiana Territory. General William Henry Harrison in Vincennes was having problems with a group of Native Americans led by Tecumseh and his brother Tenskwatawa (The Prophet)."

Tecumseh had refused to sign the Greenville Treaty in 1795 and wanted to fight to push all settlers back east. He was urging other tribes to join him in a mighty coalition. The Prophet had hundreds of devotees who followed his every word, and the crowd was growing.

"In spring of 1806, Harrison was so fed up with Tenskwatawa's theatrics that were disrupting the peace that he sent a letter to the two Shawnee brothers."

"In his letter, Harrison wrote: "If he (the Prophet) is really a prophet, ask him to cause the Sun to stand still or the Moon to alter its course, the rivers to cease to flow or the dead to rise from their graves."

"According to accounts in "The Frontiersman" and "Sorrow in the Heart" by Allan W. Eckert, this is how it happened:

"When the letter was received by the brothers, they met alone then later

emerged with an answer. "The Prophet told his followers that in exactly 50 days he would make the

moon cover the sun and it would be as dark as night. The word spread quickly to all the tribes in the region. The Prophet had promised to prove his power." "Just before noon on June 13, 1806, the Great Eclipse of 1806 began. No

one on the frontier had ever seen anything like that before. Standing in front of his cabin, The Prophet had made the moon block the sun. 'The entire dramatic event was awe-inspiring to his followers. Those who once doubted The Prophet now knew for sure that he spoke with authority

and his predictions were real. Tenskwatawa and Tecumseh gained greatly in power. "And the situation between Harrison and the two Shawnee leaders

dramatically worsened. Eventually this growing animosity led to the Battle of Tippecanoe in 1811, which led to the War of 1812. "Before writing his letter, Harrison had missed the repeated printed announcements of the upcoming eclipse in the newspapers of places like

Lexington, Kentucky (on June 25, 1805). Newspapers at that time were shared with others and carried by flatboats and wagons. Even old news was valued. 'Tecumseh, who was an avid reader, might have caught the printed announcement in any number of publications.

"Accounts in the Virginia Argus in Richmond (Oct. 27 and Nov. 7, 1804, and March 27 and April 10, 1805), the Annapolis Maryland Gazette (Feb. 7, 1805), in addition to the Lexington newspaper talked about the eclipse.

A special thank you to Pam Cottrel a contributing writer who wrote the story from which I stole quite liberally because the story illustrates how foolish many of today's conspiracy theories are.

Personally, I think about an eclipse we had in Charlottesville, Va., when I was working at the Daily Progress newspaper. I was pretty good friends with Lawson Marshall the editor and I went into his office and declared if I didn't get a raise I would turn the sun off. He told me to get out.

A little late when the eclipse was going on a beam of light came though the skylight and lit on a can of Zud cleanser sitting on the universal desk (that's the desk the page layout editors work at while producing the newspaper) and a couple of the editors bowed toward it getting everybody to bow to the "Zud God."

It was just then that Lawson walked out of his office, looked at the editors bowing and said, "don't tell me I don't want to know."

So if you followed one of those apocalyptic theories don't tell me I don't want to know. And if it came true you probably aren't reading this. Until next time stay safe but don't live life in a bubble.

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Creston News

by Alvin Engelke Phone 275-3578

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

Several Creston area residents were among the over 78 folks who attended the candidate Meet & Greet Saturday in Elizabeth. County Assessor Keith Wilson held a very successful pie auction. Both candidates, Mike Stuart & J. B. McCuskey, for Atty. General were present as was Chris Warner who is running for Sec. of State. Caleb Hanna the candidate the "powers that be" hate for state auditor was present & gave a very good presentation. Derrick Evans, who is running to retire RINO congresswoman Carol Miller explained why she needs to go back home and help with the family used car lot as Mrs. Miller recently proved that she is part of the deep state. Both candidate for the W. Va. House of Delegates were present and gave good talks. Also the local Wirt County candidates were present and several noted that they were glad to have the chance to see, meet and talk with local candidates that they did not know.

On Tuesday the big storm hit with downed trees, no electric, telephone or internet. The Cherry section (mouth of Chestnut Run) was hit hard as were other sections in both Wirt & Calhoun counties [and elsewhere]. While the river was up there was no flooding like in Marietta Ohio and other Ohio River communities. Both W. Va. Route 5 and the Richardsonville road were closed for a time. The April Creston Community Building was postponed until April 9 and it was duly noted "until after the eclipse".

Cap'n Spock motored to Apollo Pennsylvania to have Frank Gazzo's crew put a new tarp on his big chariot. The job cost less than \$4,000 compared to the \$12,000 price over in Ritchie County. It was noted that Pennsylvania had highways that were like washboards. Perhaps the green weenies there want folks to "use other means" to travel. Maybe a few could ride brooms but ordinary folks have few if any alternatives.

Kathy Arthur has been on the sick list.

Local residents have been getting polling calls concerning the primary election next month. One call was obviously on the behalf of Skaff, the liberal fellow who wants no voter ID and same day registration as is done where charter buses bring voters from precinct to precinct, county to county and state

It was reported that the State of Tennessee has banned the addition of M-RNA additions to food as had been pushed by Bill Gates. Gates & his buddy Dr. Fauci want to ban people saying "bad things (like the truth)" about them and their nefarious schemes. Those who took the Jabs now may have their life spans reduced by 25 years and now there is the talk of the new disease to strike about election time. Pure coincidence don't cha know?

Spring beauties, phlox, violets and blue bells are in their glory. The big blue bell patch is along the river just upstream from the mouth of Nettle Run on W. Va. 5.

One local resident when she went to get her prescription was told that she could only get part as there are major shortages of life saving medicines with no solution in sight. Perhaps it is not a good idea to rely upon an avowed enemy to supply America's needs. It would seem that bribes to the big guy work but not for U. S. citizens.

Mike Shaver's Mountain V announced the purchase of AXP Energy that has wells in Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and the Illinois basin.

Natural gas from Creston that is 18% ethane fetched just \$1.60/mcf. New drilling permits have pretty much dried up although CNX & Antero are obviously contemplating more Marcellus wells to the north & east of the Creston area.

As a result, so we are told, of Iran's threat to Israel the price of local Pennsylvania grade crude rose to \$85.91/bbl. with condensate fetching \$67.91/ bbl. Marcellus & Utica light was \$76.91 and medium \$85.91/bbl. Seems that the Big Eared One's hatred for Israel and that nation's leader and his love for Iran even impact Creston. The ruling junta sold the oil in the national petroleum reserve to China and now it is said the reserve will not be filled. Such was to be for war & real emergencies.

Recipe Corner by Emma Howell

BEST HAM SANDWISHES

2 -12 packages of sweet hawaiian rolls (the small dinner roll looking

1 1/2 lbs of virginia ham (NOT honey ham)

12 slices swiss cheese

1 stick of real butter

2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce

1 teaspoon Garlic Powder 1 teaspoon Onion Powder

1 teaspoon poppy seeds

Directions:

You will need two 9 x 13 pans. Place the bottoms of 12 rolls in each pan. Place ham (about 2 shaved slices or so) on the rolls. Cut the cheese slices into 4 parts and place 2 small pieces on each sandwich.

Put the dinner roll tops on. In a sauce pan, mix butter, worcestershire sauce, onion powder, garlic powder and poppy seeds. Wait until all butter is melted and then brush the melted mixture over the ham sandwiches. Cover with foil and let sit in fridge for 1 hour or over night. (If you want to bake them right away, you can also.) Preheat oven to 375 and bake for 15 minutes or until cheese is melted. Serve. They are great hot and even at room temperature Enjoy!

Cherry Cheese Coffee Cake & Filling

2 pkg (8 oz each) refrigerated crescent rolls 1 pkg (8 oz) cream cheese, softened

1/4 cup powdered sugar

1/2 tsp vanilla or almond extract 1 can (21 oz) cherry pie filling

Glaze:

1/2 cup powdered sugar

2-3 tsps milk

DIRECTIONS: Preheat oven to 350°F. Unroll crescent dough. Separate into 16 triangles, reserving 4 triangles for decoration. On Large Round Stone with Handles, arrange 12 triangles in a circle with wide ends toward the outside edge of baking stone and points toward the center. (Points will not meet.) Using lightly floured Baker's Roller, roll dough to a 14-inch circle, pressing seams together to seal and leaving a 3-in. hole in center.

For filling, in Classic Batter Bowl, combine cream cheese, powdered sugar, egg and vanilla; mix until smooth using Classic Scraper. Spread cream cheese

mixture over dough to within 1/2 in. of edges; top with pie filling.

Using Pizza Cutter, cut each remaining triangle into thirds starting at the wide end opposite the point and cutting lengthwise to the point. Arrange dough strips evenly in spoke-like fashion over filling. Press ends to seal at center and outer edges. Bake 25-30 minutes or until golden brown; cool slightly.

For glaze, mix powdered sugar and milk until smooth; drizzle over coffee

cake using V-Shaped Cutter. Cut into 12 pieces and serve warm using Mini-Serving Spatula.

Yield:12 servings

Please enjoy this week's recipe's. If you are looking for something in particular please email contact@calhounchronicle.com or mail your request to

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criminal sanctions. The Respondent is strongly encouraged to obtain a copy of this Protective Order and Petition from the Circuit

Respondent. Violating this Order may subject the Respondent to

It appearing by evidence duly taken in this action that you could

not be found in or that you have left the State of West Virginia, you

are hereby notified of the ORDER referenced above, a copy of the

Petition and Order may be obtained at the Calhoun County Circuit

Clerks' Office. This PROTECTIVE ORDER will remain in effect until

A Final Hearing is scheduled for the 8th day of May, 2024, at 11:00

New Books at the Calhoun Library

by: Lisa Gardner; Expiration Dates by: Rebecca

Serle; The #1 Lawyer by: James Patterson; Good

Half Gone by: Tarryn Fisher; Happily Never After

by: Lynn Painter; The Lost Book of Bonn by:

Brianna Labuskes; The Truth About the Devlins by:

Lisa Scottoline; The Wild Side by: Fern Michaels;

She's Not Sorry by: Mary Kubica; The Trail of

Lost Hearts by: Tracey Garvis Graves; The Bullet

Swallower by: Elizabeth Gonzalez James; Everyone

is Watching by: Heather Gudenkauf; Tourist Season

by: Brenda Novak; A Short Walk Through a Wide

World by: Douglas Westerbeke and The Reaper

the Butts by: Kari Lavelle and Poetry Comics by:

Hill by: Judy Baer; A Love Discovered by: Tracie

Peterson; Love, Unscripted by: Denise Hunter;

One Last Shot by: Susan May Warren and The Irish

Parks; The Guest by: B.A.; In the Likely Event

by: Rebecca Yarros; Kill For Me, Kill For You by:

Steve Cavanagh; The Women by: Kristin Hannah;

The Trail of Lost Hearts by: Tracey Garvis Graves;

Redemption in Amish Country and What Waits in

JUVENILE FICTION: The Scarlet Shedder

CHILDREN'S: Pinkalicious:

Kittens!Kittens! Kittens! by: Victoria Kann; A

Unicorn, a Dinosaur, and a Shark Were Riding a

Bicycle by: Jonathan Fenske; My Thoughts Have

Wings by: Maggie Smith; Do You Know Them? by:

Megan McDonald; Not Perfect by: Maya Myers;

The Red Fruit by: Lee Gee Eun; Gnome & Rat:

Time to Party! by: Lauren Stohler; Trim Sets Sail

by: Deborah Hopkinson; Frog Can Hop by: Laura

NON-FICTION: Butt or Face?: Revenge of

INSPIRATIONAL: Blessings from Acorn

LARGE PRINT: Two Dead Wives by: Adele

Follows by: Heather Graham

Matchmaker by: Jennifer Deibel

the Woods by: Terri Parlato

by: Dav Pilkey

election officials.

Grant Snider

Submitted by Caitlen Weaver

ADULT FICTION: Still See You Everywhere

Sheila R Garretson Chronit Clerk

notify Respondent of the PROTECTIVE ORDER prohibiting the above-named Respondent from having contact with certain indi-

Magistrate Court Case No. 24-MO7D-00006

Family Court Civil Action No. 24-DV-6

Town City Building 362 Main St.

Grantsville, West Virginia 26147 A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the Executive Secretary of the Public

Service Commission at 201 Brooks Street, P. O. Box 812, Charleston, West Virginia 25323 THIS TARIFF SERVES TO REPLACE THE TARIFF PREVIOUSLY POSTED IN THE CHRONICLE ON 3/14 AND 3/21. THE TARIFF WAS FOUND TO HAVE A TYPO WITH THE WORD "SEWER" AND HAS BEEN REPLACED WITH THE WORD "WATER."

LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE --

A town hall meeting will be held at the Upper West Fork Park April 27 at 12:00 noon.

Freeda Tucker

The potential water extension from the Park to the Clay County line will be discussed. Engineers will be available to answer any questions you may have. A new petition will be circulated. Your exact address is needed to sign the petition. This is your chance to get the details if you are interested in signing up for water. It could and most likely will include Walker, Walnut, Oka, Little White Oak and possibly Nicut. If you are interested, please come to this town hall meeting April 27 at the park.

Public Service Commission Chairman Lane's Column

Understand Your West Virginia-American Water Bill

Today, I would like to assist you in reading your water bill.

Your West Virginia-American Water bill includes lots of useful information apart from but included with – your billing statement. So, when you open a bill from this company, it may contain several pages.

But let's just look at page two, which is what I want to discuss with you. Half-way down the left-side of the second page is a section listed "account detail." This explains your entire bill in detail. I'm going to help you navigate the

Look at the very bottom left of your bill. That tells you in blue writing with a large blue arrow the amount of money you owe for service rendered in the last usage period.

This number should fluctuate each month, depending upon the amount of water you use.

Now look up in that same section until you find – also in blue lettering – the term "account detail." This gives you everything you need to

It should first of all show your 16-digit account number and the address for which the bill is prepared. Below that is a blue water icon and the words "water service." This section includes charges for services related to water, and in some cases wastewater or fire service.

Below that is a section with dollar signs inside gray circles and is listed "other charges." This charge is known as the Distribution System Improvement Charge or DSIC.

It reflects a fixed percentage of your monthly bill that the Commission allows the company charge for maintaining, upgrading, and replacing pipelines and other basic company transmission features.

This is commonly called infrastructure. This DSIC rate will change from month to month.

Below that is "total service related charges." That is what the company is billing you for its service for the previous billing period. After that is a section with two green balloons with dollar signs in them. This lists taxes levied against your bill by local government. Shana Keller: Is This a House for Hermit Crab? by:

At the end are the total current charges, which shows the amount you owe for that billing period. I know these bills can be complicated and

difficult to read sometimes. I hope this has

Gehl; The Good Little Mermaid's Guide to Bedtime

by: Eija Sumner; Animal Albums by: Cece Bell and helped make it all a little simpler for you. Penelope Rex & the Problem with Pets by: Ryan T. Higgins

From The Office of WV Secretary of State Mac Warner

April 4, 2024 - Charleston, W. Va. - The WV Secretary of State's Office announced today that it has produced and published a new poll worker training video series ahead of the May 14 Primary Election. All 55 county clerks are required to conduct training sessions for registered voters selected to work the polls on Election Day.

Development of the new training curriculum began in July of 2023 after WV Secretary of State Mac Nutrition Program is a supplemental food program Warner announced the project at the biennial County Clerk's Training Conference. Since then, staff members at WVSOS have diligently collaborated with several of the state's county clerks to design a 27part video series that comprehensively covers all Election Day responsibilities for poll workers.

Each video segment combines animated cartoons depicting common polling place scenarios with live- nutrition education to families in Calhoun County. action equipment demonstrations that give technical guidance from a hands-on perspective. Segments cover only one subject at a time and range from one to five minutes to keep the information succinct and more information call our local office at 304-354easy to comprehend.

The beauty of voting in person is that you gain confidence from casting your ballot under the watchful 3688 eye of trained poll workers," said Secretary of State Mac Warner. "My Office has gone to great lengths to ensure the clerks have access to the best and most comprehensive training material possible for this

critical election cycle.' The entire video series is available to stream online and at any time through the WV Secretary of State's YouTube page. Additionally, over 250 DVD copies are being mailed to county clerks and municipal or a question about your benefits.

LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

sion of Calhoun County, West Virginia, at the Courthouse in the City of Grantsville, West Virginia; Decedent Personal Address Representative Eleanor Marie Caltabiano Diana Austin 5217 Left Fork RD, Grantsville, WV 26147 11468 S Calhoun Hwy, Arnoldsburg, WV 25234 Vere Harols Brannon Shelly Mace 3171 Little White Oak Rd, Chloe, WV 25235 Charity Lynn Holbert Kathryn L. Holbert Kenneth Bailey 2378 Milo Rd, Orma, WV 25268 Loris Bailey Jarvis 10180 Buzz Lane, Dayton, VA 2282 Walter R. Palmer Sheila Ward

Michael Tucker

Notice is hereby given that proceedings in the following estates are pending before the County Commis-

April 3, 2024 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 JUNE 3, 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, Clerk Calhoun County Commission

61 Speed Rd, Spencer, WV 25276

West Virginia Weekly Gas Price Update

Average gasoline prices in West Virginia have risen 1.9 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.41/g today, according to GasBuddy's survey of 1,154 stations in West Virginia.

Prices in West Virginia are 14.6 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 15.7 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has increased 3.1 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.02 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in West Virginia was priced at \$2.87/g yesterday while the most expensive was \$3.79/g, a difference of 92.0 cents per gallon. The lowest price in the state yesterday was \$2.87/g while the highest was \$3.79/g, a difference of 92.0

The national average price of gasoline has risen 6.5 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.57/g today. The national average is up 17.1 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 0.8 cents per gallon lower than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

Historical gasoline prices in West Virginia and the national average going back ten years:

April 8, 2023: \$3.57/g (U.S. Average: \$3.58/g) April 8, 2022: \$4.00/g (U.S. Average: \$4.12/g) April 8, 2021: \$2.72/g (U.S. Average: \$2.86/g) April 8, 2020: \$1.84/g (U.S. Average: \$1.88/g) April 8, 2019: \$2.70/g (U.S. Average: \$2.75/g) April 8, 2018: \$2.61/g (U.S. Average: \$2.65/g) April 8, 2017: \$2.37/g (U.S. Average: \$2.39/g) April 8, 2016: \$2.00/g (U.S. Average: \$2.04/g) April 8, 2015: \$2.39/g (U.S. Average: \$2.39/g) April 8, 2014: \$3.61/g (U.S. Average: \$3.58/g)

Neighboring areas and their current gas prices: Pittsburgh- \$3.85/g, up 11.2 cents per gallon

from last week's \$3.73/g. Charleston- \$3.42/g, unchanged from last

week's \$3.42/g. Virginia- \$3.46/g, up 2.8 cents per gallon from

last week's \$3.43/g. "After a brief break, gas prices have leapt back up, driven by extensive refinery maintenance on the

West Coast, where prices have increased notably; only a handful of states have seen prices decline over the last week," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "With oil prices rising to nearly \$87 per barrel

last week, their highest since October, we are not only facing the seasonal factors that push prices up—refinery maintenance, the switch to summer gasoline, and rising demand—but also escalating crude oil prices as OPEC's production cuts continue to cause declining global oil inventories, with escalations between Iran and Israel adding to concerns of further destabilization.

The West Coast is likely to see gas prices continue to jump, and in a week or so, will be joined by the mid-Atlantic and Northeast states as they wrap up the transition to summer gasoline.'

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data. GasBuddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy data is accessible at http://prices. GasBuddy.com.

WIC Clinic Information

The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) for pregnant, post-partum, or breastfeeding women, infants, and children up to the age of five.

WIC provides food, breastfeeding support and

To apply for the WIC Program or to receive 6898 or our main office in Parkersburg at 304-428-

The WIC Clinic is located at 300 Mill Street, Grantsville and is open every Wednesday in April from 8:00AM-4:00PM.

Please call the office if you have an appointment

Calhoun County Magistrate Report March 2024 Continued from Page 1

- card; Brian E. Young; Hearing Waived.
- Raymond Atkinson III; reckless card; Brian E. Young; J Hearing Waived.
- 24-M07F-00002; 61-3-24a(b) Attempted 17C-5-2(c) Hearing Waived.
- 24-M07F-00002; 61-3-24a(b) Attempted 17C-5-2(c) Hearing Waived.
- 24-M07F-00002; Raymond Atkinson III; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; neglect resulting risk Plea/Nolo Contendre. 61-3-24a(b) Attempted 17C-5-2(c) card; Brian E. Young; injury; Brian E Young; Hearing Waived. Hearing Waived.
- card; Brian E. Young; death; Brian E Young; Hearing Waived. Lora Davis; Preliminary Lora Davis; Preliminary Hearing Waived.
- Hearing Waived. 24-M07F-00002;
- Hearing Waived. 24-M07F-00002;
- Hearing Waived. 24-M07F-00004;
- Young; Lora Davis; Hearing Waived. Dismissed.
- Grantsville, Brian E Hearing Waived. Young; Lora Davis; Dismissed.
- WV State Police Hearing Waived. Grantsville, Brian E Young; Lora Davis; Dismissed.
- Jeffrey Allen Brannon; death; Brian E Young; without cert. inspection of serious bodily injury; Hearing Waived. WV State Police Grantsville, Brian E Young; Lora Davis; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; Josh Richards; Richard Agreement. Dismissed.
- 17C-5-2(c) DUI causing Hearing Waived. serious bodily injury; WV State Police -Young; Lora Davis; 61-8D-7(c) Gross child Postalwait; No Contest Plea Agreement.
- Dismissed. Jeffrey Allen Brannon; Hearing Waived. 17C-5-2(c) DUI causing serious bodily injury; WV State Police – Dismissed.

- Lora Davis; Preliminary Justin H Bordas; 61-5-17(f) Fleeing from 24-M07F-00002; in vehicle showing a 61-8D-7(c) Gross child 61-3-24a(b) Attempted to safety; Sheriff Of death; Brian E Young; or fraudulent use credit Calhoun Co. Graham Lora Davis; Preliminary Knight; Lora Davis; Preliminary Postalwait; Preliminary Hearing Waived.
- Raymond Atkinson III; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; neglect resulting risk 17C-15-1 card; Brian E. Young; injury; Brian E Young; Hearing Waived. Lora Davis; Preliminary Lora Davis; Preliminary Hearing Waived.
- Raymond Atkinson III; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; neglect resulting risk or fraudulent use credit Resulting in serious Lora Davis; Preliminary card; Brian E. Young; injury; Brian E Young; Hearing Waived. Lora Davis; Preliminary Lora Davis; Preliminary Hearing Waived.
- Lora Davis; Preliminary Lora Davis; Preliminary Hearing Waived. or fraudulent use credit neglect resulting risk Lora Davis; Preliminary Davis; Dismissed.
- 24-M07F-00002; card; Brian E. Young; death; Brian E Young; Hearing Waived. Lora Davis; Preliminary Lora Davis; Preliminary Hearing Waived.

Hearing Waived.

- Raymond Atkinson III; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; resulting serious bodily DNR Law Enforcement James B Smith; 17C- Police Grantsville, 61-3-24a(b) Attempted 61-8D-7(c) Gross child injury; Brian E Young; Division, or fraudulent use credit neglect resulting risk Lora Davis; Preliminary Neal Holcomb; Lora certificate of inspection Davis; Dismissed. card; Brian E. Young; death; Brian E Young; Hearing Waived. Lora Davis; Preliminary Lora Davis; Preliminary Hearing Waived.
- card; Brian E. Young; death; Brian E Young; Hearing Waived. Lora Davis; Preliminary Lora Davis; Preliminary Hearing Waived.
- 24-M07F-00007; Amanda WV State Police – death; Brian E Young; Natural
 - 24-M07F-00007;
- 24-M07F-00007; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; Amanda 24-M07F-00004; 61-8D-7(c) Gross child Elmore; 17C-5-2(c) DUI causing death; Brian E Young; evidence or registration Division, serious bodily injury; Lora Davis; Preliminary (misdemeanor);
- 24-M07F-00007; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; 61-8D-7(c) Gross child Rodney 24-M07F-00004; neglect resulting risk 17C-16-09 17C-5-2(c) DUI causing Lora Davis; Preliminary or failure to produce Law
 - 61-8D-7(c) Gross child Postalwait; Dismissed. neglect resulting risk 24-M07F-00004; death; Brian E Young;
 - neglect resulting risk Plea/Nolo Contendre. death; Brian E Young; 24-M07F-00004; Lora Davis; Preliminary
 - death; Brian E Young; Plea/Nolo Contendre. Lora Davis; Preliminary

- 24-M07F-00005; Hearing Waived.
- 24-M07F-00007; law enforcement office Jeffrey Allen Brannon; indifference neglect resulting risk Richard Hearing Waived. 24-M07F-00007;
 - Jeffrey Allen Brannon;
 - Jeffrey Allen Brannon; Contendre. 24-M07F-00007; 61-8D-7(c) Gross child DUI death; Brian E Young; Austin Shane Twilley;
- DUI death; Brian E Young; or fraudulent use credit Resulting in serious Lora Davis; Preliminary
 - Jeffrey Allen Brannon; 17A-3-16(a) 24-M07F-00007; 61-8D-7(b) Child neglect motor
 - 24-M07F-00007; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; Terry R Settle; 20-2-
 - 24-M07F-00007; Jeffrey Allen Brannon;
 - 17-M07M-00205;

Misdemeanors

- Davis; Dismissed. 17-M07M-00380;
- Dismissed. 17-M07M-00380:
- Lora Davis; Dismissed.
- 23-M07M-00123; certificate; penalty for Division, misdemeanor; WV State A
- WC State Police Division, 24-M07F-00007; Grantsville, David C A Phillips;
- 17B-4-3a 24-M07F-00007; WC State Police -Grantsville, Brian E 61-8D-7(c) Gross child Moore TFC; Richard Richard Young; Lora Davis; neglect resulting risk Postalwait; No Contest Dismissed

Steven Michael Clark; Austin Lee Bailey; 61- Court. 17A-09-03 Improper use 6-20 False Reporting of ofevidenceofregistration an Emergency; Sheriff (misdemeanor); State Police-Grantsville, Stephens David C Moore TFC: Richard Richard No Contest Plea/Nolo Agreement. Contendre.

23-M07M-00133;

- 24-M07F-00007; 61-8D-7(c) Gross child Steven Michael Clark; 6 0 A 4 4 0 1 (c) to Circuit Court. or fraudulent use credit Resulting in serious Lora Davis; Preliminary Police - Grantsville, prescription; Richard Postalwait; Stephens 24-M07F-00007; No Contest Plea/Nolo Richard
 - 17C-7-1(a) Failure to 00014; drive on right side of Bailey; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; J Weekley Sgt; Richard prescription;

23-M07M-00274;

- 16-9 Operation without 24-M07F-00007; certificate of inspection Jeffrey Allen Brannon; or failure to produce Heather Allen; 17C-
- 24-M07F-00007; Donna V Richards: Dismissed. **Expired** vehicle Raymond Atkinson III; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; resulting serious bodily registration; WV State 00027; Heather Allen; to Circuit Court. 61-3-24a(b) Attempted 61-8D-7(c) Gross child injury; Brian E Young; Police - Grantsville, 17D-02A-04(a) or fraudulent use credit neglect resulting risk Lora Davis; Preliminary Nathan S Stepp; Lora proof of insurance; WV Davis; Dismissed.
 - 24-M07F-00007; 61-8D-7(b) Child neglect 22 Fail to Field Tag; Davis; Dismissed - Plea or failure to produce Agreement.
- Raymond Atkinson III; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; resulting serious bodily 1-17(b)(7) No Class Plea/Nolo Contendre. 61-3-24a(b) Attempted 61-8D-7(c) Gross child injury; Brian E Young; N Stamp; DNR Law or fraudulent use credit neglect resulting risk Lora Davis; Preliminary Enforcement Division, Jonathan Neal Holcomb; James B Smith; 17C-
- serious bodily injury; neglect resulting risk WV Law Enf Div Dept Enforcement Division, Plea/Nolo Contendre. Resources, Jonathan Neal Holcomb; Grantsville, Brian E Lora Davis; Preliminary Caleb D Harper; Lora Lora Davis; Dismissed -Plea Agreement.
- 23-M07M-00287; on WV State Police – Lora Davis; Preliminary M Ellis II; Lora Davis; Jonathan Neal Holcomb; Plea/Nolo Contendre. Lora Davis; Guilty Plea
 - WV A Phillips; Dept of Public Safety; Postalwait; Guilty - Plea Plea/Nolo Contendre. Agreement.
 - 23-M07M-00290; 00055; B Frame; Gary Lee Settle; 20-2- King; Wildlife; Phillips; 24-M07F-00007; Police - Grantsville, Postalwait; Guilty - Plea
- Grantsville, Brian E Jeffrey Allen Brannon; Moore TFC; Richard Postalwait; Dismissed -
 - 23-M07M-00290; 23-M07M-00133; Gary Lee Settle; 20-7-SRO-misc; ch. 20; DNR Law Agreement.

- WC of Calhoun Co., C.R. Justin H Bordas; 61-
- Defective Possession of controlled DUI death; Brian E Young; Equipment; WC State substance without valid Sheriff Justin H Bordas; Under David C Moore TFC; of Calhoun Co., C.R. ReviewProhibitedperson No Contest per Plea J Agreement.
- Austin Lee road; WV State Police - Possession of controlled 2-10b(d) Battery on 24-M07F-00007; Grantsville, Christopher substance without valid gov't Sheriff health care providers, 24-M07F-00007; 61-8D-7(c) Gross child Postalwait; No Contest of Calhoun Co., C.R. utility workers, law-(Deputy); enforcement; WV State Stephens Richard 23-M07M-00286; No Contest per Plea Brian E Young; Richard Donna V Richards: 17C- Agreement.
- 24-M07F-00002; 24-M07F-00007; 61-8D-7(c) Gross child certificate; WV State 16-9 Operation without Justin H Bordas; 61-Raymond Atkinson III; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; neglect resulting risk Police Grantsville, certificate of inspection 5-17(a) Obstruct law-61-3-24a(b) Attempted 61-8D-7(c) Gross child death; Brian E Young; Nathan S Stepp; Lora or failure to produce enforcement, probation, certificate; WV State parole, court security, Police - Spencer, B.Q. corrections officer w/ 23-M07M-00286; Turner; Lora Davis; thre; WV State Police Е 2 4 - M 0 7 M - Postalwait; Transferred

24-M07M-00027;

- State Police Spencer, Malissa D Alvis; 17C-B.Q. Turner; Lora Davis; 16-9 Operation without 23-M07M-00287; Dismissed.
- certificate; WV State Police - Grantsville, Malissa D Alvis; 17A-3-23-M07M-00287; Brian E Young; Richard 16(a) Expired motor 24-M07F-00007; 61-8D-7(b) Child neglect Terry R Settle; 20- Postalwait; No Contest vehicle registration; WV
- Lora Davis; Guilty Plea. 6-1 MR Forward 1 of 2 rear Speeding 64 MPH Timothy Jay Sutro; 23-M07M-00287; in a 55 MPH; WV State 20-2-27(a) Hunt or Danielle Terry R Settle; 20-7-7 Police - Grantsville, fish without a license; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; Elmore; 17B-2-12 Conspiracy to violate Brian E Young; Richard DNR Law Enforcement 17C-5-2(c) DUI causing 61-8D-7(c) Gross child ExpiredDriver'sLicense; ch. 20; DNR Law Postalwait; No Contest Division, Jonathan Neal
- 24-M07M-00053; Stephen C Houchin; open 24-M07F-00004; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; Amanda Danielle Terry R Settle; 20-2- highway; WV State vehicle without evidence Jeffrey Allen Brannon; 61-8D-7(c) Gross child Elmore; 17B-4-3 Driving 4(a) Illegal Possession Police – Grantsville, of registration; Sheriff of 17C-5-2(c) DUI causing neglect resulting risk Suspended; WV Dept of Wildlife; DNR Law Josh Richards; Richard Calhoun County, C.R. serious bodily injury; death; Brian E Young; of Public Safety, James Enforcement Division, Postalwait; No Contest Stephens (Deputy); Lora
- 24-M07M-00054; 23-M07M-00290; Paul Dewayne Cadle; Caitlin Marie Wade; 17C-Danielle Gary Lee Settle; 20-2- 17C-5-2 DUI - 1 st 16-9 Operation without 17A-09- 27 Kill deer w/o license; Offense; Sheriff of certificate of inspection Jeffrey Allen Brannon; neglect resulting risk 03 Improper use of DNR Law Enforcement Calhoun County, J.B. or failure to produce William Hunt (Deputy); Richard certificate; Sheriff of Richard Postalwait; No Contest Calhoun County, C.R.
 - George Earl 17A-3-16(a) Richard Davis; Dismissed.
 - Justin H Bordas; 61- Davis; Dismissed. 23-M07M-00290; 5-17(a) Obstruct law-23-M07M-00133; Gary Lee Settle; 20-2- enforcement, probation, 17D-2A-3 No insurance; DNR Law Enforcement corrections officer w/ 17C-16-9 Richard Court.
 - 24-M07M-00058; Steven Michael Clark; 7 Conspiracy to violate Justin H Bordas; 61-5-17(a) Obstruct law-Postalwait; corrections officer w/ Plea thre; Sheriff of Calhoun law. Co. Graham J Knight; Richard Postalwait;

24-M07M-00058; (Deputy); 5-17(e) Fleeing Postalwait; attempting to flee from Postalwait; No Contest per Plea law enforcement officer in vehicle; Sheriff of Calhoun Co. Graham 24-M07M-00013; J Knight; Richard 23-M07M-00133; Austin Lee Bailey; Postalwait; Transferred

24-M07M-00058;

24-M07M-00012; Transferred to Circuit

- (Deputy); poss fireman; Sheriff of Postalwait; Calhoun County, Graham J Knight; Richard Postalwait; Transferred to Circuit Court. 2 4 - M 0 7 M -24-M07M-00059; 60A-4-401(c) Justin H Bordas; 61representatives,
 - Postalwait; Police Grantsville, Postalwait; Transferred to Circuit Court. 24-M07M-00060; Grantsville, Brian

Young; Richard

- 24-M07M-00064; certificate of inspection or failure to produce 24-M07M-00043; certificate; WV State Jonathan 16-9 Operation without Josh Richards; Lora
 - 24-M07M-00064; StatePolice-Grantsville, Josh Richards; Lora 24-M07M-00043; Davis; Dismissed.
 - 24-M07M-00065; Holcomb; Lora Davis; Guilty Plea.
 - 24-M07M-00068; 17C-6-1(b)(3) Speeding Caitlin Marie Wade; country 17A-9-2(a) Operation of Davis; Dismissed.
 - 24-M07M-00068; Stephens (Deputy); Lora Davis; No Contest Plea/ 2 4 - M 0 7 M - Nolo Contendre.
- 24-M07M-00070; Operation 4(a) Illegal Possession Expired Motor vehicle Ryan Burdette; 17C-DNR registration; WV State 16-9 Operation without Enforcement Police - Grantsville, certificate of inspection William Josh Richards; Lora or failure to produce certificate; WV State Police – Grantsville, 24-M07M-00058; Brian E Young; Lora
- 24-M07M-00086; Jeffrey Allen Brannon; Lora Davis; Preliminary Steven Michael Clark; 22 Fail to field tag deer; parole, court security, Dakota A McCumbers; Operation William thre; Sheriff of Calhoun without certificate of Richard Co. Graham J Knight; inspection or failure to Postalwait; produce certificate; WV Transferred to Circuit State Police-Grantsville, Josh Richards; Richard Postalwait; Dismissed.
 - Please remember all Enforcement Division, enforcement, probation, persons are considered Jeffrey Allen Brannon; Grantsville, David C William A Phillips; parole, court security, innocent until proven guilty in the court of

Calhoun and Surrounding Counties Event Page

Preschool & Kindergarten

Enrollment Information

children enrolled into Pre-K for the 2024-2025 school year. Enrollment packets may be picked up at Arnoldsburg Elementary, Pleasant Hill Elementary, or Calhoun County Board of Education during

The registration fairs are held to assist families in getting the necessary documentation for starting school. We will conduct developmental, hearing, vision, and dental screenings at the event.

All children who are 4 years old prior to July 1, 2024, are eligible to apply for enrollment to Preschool.

All children who are 5 years old prior to July 1, 2024, are enrolled in Kindergarten.

Calhoun County Schools will be conducting

Pre-Registration on the following dates at: Friday, April 12 th, 2024, at Callhoun County

Middle High School from 8am-2:30PM Friday, April 19 th, 2024, at Callhoun County

Middle High School from 8am- 12:30PM Please call Sierra McCormick at 304-354-6022 ext. 402 or Jackie Allen at 304-655-8616 ext. 110 to schedule an appointment. If School is canceled, registration will be rescheduled for April 26 th at CCMHS maintaining scheduled appointment times.

All children applying for preschool must have the following documents prior to the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year.

-Certified Birth Certificate (Vital Statistics Certificate from Charleston only)

- Immunization Record
- Preventative Health Screen with dental check and hemoglobin test (available through your
 - Pre-K Universal Application
- Proof of Income (W2, 1040, or proof of Government Assistance)

Completed preschool packets are due by the date of the registration fairs.

Any child; birth to three, thought to have developmental delays, is also eligible to be screened for possible services. If you would like more information about this topic, please call Bonnie Sands at 304.354.7011 X 317 or email bonnie. sands@k12.wv.us.

Save The Children Program

Calling all Calhoun residents!

Are you a parent with children aged 3 to 5? Or perhaps you're expecting?

Save the Children in Calhoun, WV, is here to support you! Our FREE programs are designed to equip your little ones with the essential skills they need for school success.

From group sessions in Grantsville and Arnoldsburg to personalized home visits and monthly gatherings for expecting mothers and children under 3, we've got you covered!

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to invest in your child's future. No guidelines, no restrictions - just pure support and guidance for every Calhoun resident. Join us today and let's empower our children for a brighter tomorrow!

Please reach out to Suzanne Allen, ECC, at Arnoldsburg Elementary School at (304) 655-8616, Michele Hipp, ECC, at Pleasant Hill Elementary at (304) 354-6022, or Debra Smith, KRA, at either of these schools.

'Reminder: Parent-Child Group Tuesday at Calhoun Family Support Center from 4:30 to 6:30 PM, Friday at Arnoldsburg Elementary School 1 to 3. Open to all families in Calhoun County with children under 5. See you there!"

Tire Collection

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

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.

First Name	Last Name
Maiden Name	
Cell PhonePhone	Home
Email	
Address	
City, State, Zip Code	
Class Year	

West Central Beekeeper's Association

The West Central Beekeeper's Association will meet at the old Arnoldsburg Elementary School, Calhoun County Universal Preschool now has Spring Run Road Arnoldsburg, WV (Calhoun enrollment packets available for parents to get County), the fourth Saturday of each month at 1:00

Tobacco Quitline

Anyone interested in quitting can call the West Virginia Tobacco Quit-line, 1-877-966-8784 or 1-800-QUITNOW. The call is for West Virginia residents over the age of 18. The Quitline offers four proactive coaching calls and unlimited reactive calls. Participants are eligible for eight weeks of free nicotine replacement therapy: patches, gum or pantry, Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m.lozenges. Contact Jamie Jacobsen, 304-485-7374, ext. 152, or www.cdc.gov/tobacco/campaign/tips/.

Spay/Neuter

Welfare of Animals Group (WAG) can assist lowincome Calhoun County homes with 50% of their cat or dog's spay/neuter fee. It is cheaper to spay a pet than to pay the costs of caring for one litter of puppies or kittens. For information or to make an appointment, call 354-7042. Donations of dry cat food are appreciated, and can be dropped off at Calhoun County Library, Grantsville. The program is funded in part by The Bernard McDonough Foundation, The Oakland Foundation, W.Va. Dept. of Agriculture, and Calhoun County Commission.

Grantsville Conservatory of Music and Fine Arts

Event Schedule located in the lower level of Alice's Attic: Karate is every Tuesday and Thursday at 4:45 p.m. the cost is \$7.00 per class or pay by the month for \$40; Line Dancing is the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. The cost of the class is \$7.00; Jam Night: Bring an instrument or come to listen. Donation of \$3.00. It is held the 1st and 4th Friday of each month at 6:00 p.m. There will be a Writer's Group the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

> West Virginia Poison Center, 1-800-222-1222

Country Kitchen Music & Events

Country Kitchen is located at 6553 Big Otter Hwy Ivydale, WV. Come and enjoy some great food and music after taking a ride on The Devil's Backbone (Rt. 16).

Hours Mon.-Wed.: 10 a.m. -9 p.m.

Thurs.-Sat.: 10 a.m. to Close Thursday **Nights** Pool Tournament

BIKER'S WELCOME!!!!

Lions Club Bingo

be held in the Lions Club

Building, 103 Stump St.,

Grantsville, first and third

Saturdays of each month

at 6 p.m.

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

CCCOA

Music April 13th

Bluegrass, gospel and country music by Starling Holbert at the CCCOA Building in Grantsville on Saturday, April 13th at 6:00 p.m. Sign-up at the door. Concessions and 50/50 drawing available. Everyone is welcome. Come out and enjoy the evening. For more information, call 304-354-6085

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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.

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.

Food Pantry

CRI operates a food 4 p.m., with free USDA commodities to those who qualify (food pantry only) on Court St.

Check Conditions

Travelers can check the forecast, traffic, and road conditions all along their route by visiting wv511. org before heading out.

Safe Travels while traveling through W.Va.



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

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.): April 13: Ruff Cut; April 20: Frank Conn & The Partners; April 27: Dixie Highway

May 4: Sincerely Country; May 5: The Putnam Family Gospel Sing 3:00-5:00 p.m.; May 11: Ruff Cut; May 18: Frank Conn & Conn & Partners; May 25: Dixie Highway

June 1: Closed – Wood Festival; June 8: Ruff Cut; June 15: Stephanie and the Band of Brothers

Emotion Helpline

Are you or your loved ones feeling anxious, overwhelmed or emo-tionally exhausted? First Choice Services has a 24/7 emotional strength help-line called HELP304 to help navigate these uncertain and unprecedented times. Available Lions Club bingo will 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.

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

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23

WE CAN SIMPLY CONFESS & CALL

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:9.

The Bible says... Whosoever. It's that simple. That includes you. THE REASON HE CAME...

HE CAME FOR ONE REASON....YOU.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John

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

New Testament Baptist Church 15187 WV Highway 47 W

Smithville, WV 26178

Pastor Jim Lough - Assistant Pastor Nick Randolph ntbcvoj@gmail.com

Voice of Joy - WVGV 89.7 - wvgvradio.com - WVGL 91.1

DONOR RECIPIENT SPOTLIGHT



My name is Kason Hupp. I am a freshman at WVU-P and working part-time at Texas Roadhouse. I was a three organ recipient in July 2005.

I was born on March 16, 2005 without a small intestine. I immediately was placed on the transplant list and by the time organs became available I needed a liver also. The Pancreas was just a bonus as I now have two. I was in the hospital from July until November in 2005. At that time I returned to Grantsville.

For more information on organ donation visit: www.donatelife.net www.donatelifewv.org



CMHS Senior Track Schedule

April Events

04/12/24 Away at Ritchie County 04/19/24 Away at Doddridge County 04/26/24 Away at Laidley Field

May Events

05/08/24 Away at Laidley Field

Most events begin at 11:00 a.m on weekends and 4:00 p.m. on weekdays. Please come out and support our team!

CMHS Senior Softball Schedule

APRIL GAMES

04/11/24 5:00 p.m. Away vs. South Harrison 04/12/24 Away vs. Wirt County 04/15/24 5:00 p.m. Away vs. Gilmer County

04/16/24 5:00 p.m. Away vs. Braxton County 04/18/24 5:00 p.m. Home vs. Webster county High School

04/22/24 5:30 p.m. Home vs. Ritchie County

04/23/24 4:30 p.m. Home vs. Clay County High School

04/25/24 TBDPM Away LKC Placement Game

04/26/24 TBDPM Away LKC Placement Game Please come out and support our team!!!

*Please be aware that the weather may interfere with schedule of games.

Spring Sports Report

by Robert Bonar

The CCHS track team was idle last week, but

are scheduled for two meets this week, at Roane County and Ritchie County High Schools. Next

week, the Red Devils will participate in a meet at Doddridge County High School on Friday, March 19.

VARSITY TRACK SCHEDULE

4/9 Roane County Away

4/12 Ritchie County Away

4/19 Doddridge County Away 4/26 Charleston Gazette Relays Away

VARSITY BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Record (2-4)

3/18 Wirt County 8-5 W Home

3/19 South Harrison 0-10 L Home

3/21 Braxton County 2-16 L Home

3/22 Wahama 1-11 L Away

3/23 Ritchie County 2-12 L Away

3/25 Doddridge County 11-8 W Home

4/8 Ritchie County Home

4/9 Doddridge County Away

4/11 South Harrison Away

4/13 Saint Marys Home

4/16 Braxton County Away

4/18 Webster County Home

4/19 Wahama Home

4/20 Paden City Away 4/20 Midland Trail Away*

4/22 Richwood Away

4/23 Clay County Home

4/24 Huntington St. Joseph Away

4/25 Gilmer County Away 4/29 Wirt County Away

4/30 Roane County Away

5/1 Huntington St. Joseph Home

* At Paden City

VARSITY SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Record (0-5)

3/19 South Harrison 1-15 L Home

3/20 Roane County 0-8 L Away

3/21 Braxton County 11-14 L Home 3/27 Ritchie County 0-11 L Away

3/28 Clay County 0-16 L Away

4/2 Gilmer County Home

4/9 Doddridge County Away

4/10 Roane County Home

4/11 South Harrison Away

4/12 Wirt County Away

4/15 Gilmer County Away

4/16 Braxton County Away

4/18 Webster County Home

4/22 Ritchie County Home

4/23 Clay County Home

4/25 LKC Placement Away

Picture of 2024 Football Schedule is credited to Kevin Yeager Jr.



Grantsville Pickleball (

The Grantsville Pickleball Club is growing! We play on Tuesday and Thursday nights at 7:00, weather permitting and are averaging 12-15 NTSVI players.

> are people there of all ages abilities, and athleticism. There are even some

The best part is there

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

We have found our Home in the NYAP

Building.

Donkey Basketball Festival April 27th

Arnoldsburg Elementary School PTO invites you to the Donkey Basketball Event on April 27th located at 90 Spring Run Road Arnoldsburg, WV (Calhoun County Livestock Program Pavilion). Vendors will start at 12:00 p.m. and refreshments will be sold. Donkey basketball will start at 2:00 p.m. Advance tickets for adults are \$10 and Students \$8 or at th eGate tickets will be adults-\$12 and Students-\$10, under the age of 5 is free. Contact the Arnoldsburg Elementary School at 304-655-8616 for tickets.

County County 4-H Leaders Bingo May 11th

The Calhoun County 4-H Leaders will be hosting 4-H Bingo on Saturday, May 11th at the Arnoldsburg Community Building. Doors open at 5:00 p.m., with Games beginning at 6:00 p.m. There will be concessions, 50/50 drawing and raffles available. Games are 20 for \$20. Please come out and support the 4-H Leaders.

Calhoun Youth Livestock Program

4th Workshop & Tag In (Feeder Calves, Market Sheep, Goats, Hogs)- Saturday, June 1st, 9:00 am - 11:00 am, Workshop will start after Tagin - Raising Market Ready Livestock

5th Workshop- Saturday, July 20th- 8:30 am- Skill Building Workshop- Showmanship and Groom Rotation Workshop

6th- Workshop- January - September -ON YOUR OWN ACTIVITY- Attend a show and participate or observe, participate in an animal science related contest, webinar, workshop and field day. Reach out to Daisy if you have any questions. Youth 16 and above can attend up to two on your own activities for credit towards the 4 workshops)

7th Workshop & Small Livestock Tag-in (Rabbits & Chickens)- Tuesday, August 20, 5:30 pm -Livestock Skillathon Contest Practice

Additional Important Dates April 15th - State Fair Market Sheep, Goats

and Hog Tag Order Due • Friday, September 20-21st.- Calhoun County

4-H and FFA Youth Livestock Show and Sale.

WVPSC Suspends Grantsville's 60% Rate Increase Request Pending Investigation of Need

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA CHARLESTON

At as session of the PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WEST VIRGINIA in the City of Charleston on the 5th day of April, 2024.

CASE NO. 24-0329-W-MA

GRANTSVILLE MUNICIPAL WATER DEPARTMENT, a municipal utility

> Investigation and suspension of increase in water rates and charges as a result of petitions filed in accordance with W.Va. Code 24-2-4b.

and

CASE NO. 24-0333-PWD-WI

MT. ZION PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT a public utility,

Complainant.

TOWN OF GRANTSVILLE a public utility,

Defendant.

and

CASE NO. 24-0337-PWD-WI

PLEASANT HILL PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT a public utility,

Complainant,

GRANTSVILLE MUNICIPAL WATER DEPARTMENT, a municipal utility,

Defendant

enactment date.

The Commission is required to resolve a complaint governed by the statute within 120 days of filing. The Commission may toll the 120-day resolution period, however, "until the necessary information showing the basis of the rates, fees, and charges or other information as the commission considers necessary is filed." Absent a tolling, the statutory resolution date for the Wholesale Complaint would be Thursday, August 1, 2024.

The PH Wholesale Complaint

The PH Wholesale Complaint is likewise governed by W. Va. Code §24-2-3(b). Pleasant Hill's complaint is dated April 2, 2024, but was not docketed by the Commission's Executive Secretary until April 4, 2024, the thirty-first day after Grantsville enacted the subject rate ordinance. However, due to severe storms and a large scale power outage that occurred in Charleston, West Virginia on April 2, 2024, the Commission's internet service, phone lines and fax machines became non-operational from approximately 11:30 a.m. on April 2, 2024 until power was restored. The Commission was not open for business from approximately noon on April 2, 2024 until the morning of April 4, 2024. Accordingly, the Commission is unable to determine whether, had the Commission been open for business, it would have received and docketed the Pleasant Hill complaint on the thirtieth day. The Commission will accord Pleasant Hill the benefit of the doubt and deem its complaint filed on April 3, 2024 and within the thirty-day statutory period.

Accordingly, absent a tolling, the statutory resolution date for the PH Wholesale Complaint would be Thursday, August 1, 2024.

Adjudication of the Municipal Appeal and the Wholesale Complaints

The three cases should be consolidated and processed on the same timeline because evaluation of each will impact evaluation of the other. However, if one case, but not all cases, is dismissed for any reason, the Commission will continue to process the others.

The applicable statutes for the three cases provide that the Commission may toll the statutory resolution periods until it receives necessary information to evaluate the rates at issue.

The Commission has reviewed the Grantsville ordinance and determined

W. Va. Code §24-2-3(b)

COMMISSION ORDER SUSPENDING AND TOLLING RATE ORDINANCE AND REFERRING TO ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

This Order suspends a water rate ordinance under W.Va. Code §24-2-4b, and tolls the statutory decision period as provided under W.Va. Code §§24-2-4b and 24-2-3(b), until the Commission has before it the necessary information showing the basis of rates, fees, and charges or other information as the Commission considers necessary.

BACKGROUND

On March 4, 2024, the Town of Grantsville (Grantsville) adopted a water utility ordinance increasing rates and charges by approximately sixty percent to water customers of Grantsville to become effective on April 18, 2024

On April 1, 2024, the Commission received a petition of protest apparently signed by not less than twenty-five percent of Grantsville's water customers. The petition is docketed as Case No. 24-0329-W-MA (hereafter the Municipal Appeal). The petition requested suspension of any water rate increase and Commission review of the ordinance pursuant to W.Va. Code §24-2-4b and Rule 44 of the Commission Rules for the Construction and Filing of Tariffs, 150 C.S.R. 2. If Grantsville desires to challenge the validity of the petition, it should promptly do

On April 3, 2024, Mt. Zion Public Service District (Mt. Zion) a resale customer of Grantsville filed a formal complaint asserting, among other things, that the newly enacted resale rate is unjust, unreasonable, and not based primarily on cost of service. The Mt. Zion formal complaint is docketed as Case No. 24-0333-PWD-WI (hereafter the MZ Wholesale Complaint).

On April 4, 2024, the Commission Executive Secretary docketed a formal complaint dated April 2, 2024, of Pleasant Hill Public Service District (Pleasant Hill) a resale customer of Grantsville. The complaint asserts that the rate ordinance is excessive and requests that the Commission suspend and investigate the matter. The Pleasant Hill formal complaint is docketed as Case No. 24-0337-PWD-WI (hereafter the PH Wholesale Complaint).

The MZ Wholesale Complaint and the PH Wholesale Complaint shall be referred to collectively as the Wholesale Complaints.

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that Grantsville has not filed information showing the basis of the rates, fees, and charges or other information that the Commission considers necessary in the form of either (1) evidence demonstrating that the increase to the wholesale customer(s) is consistent with the current relative costs reasonably allocable to the wholesale class, or, alternatively, (2) a class cost of service study demonstrating the rate required to cover the costs reasonably allocable to the wholesale class.

For the Commission to evaluate item (1) or (2), it is also necessary for Grantsville to provide (3) an explanation of the proposed \$30,000 per year built into rates to pay the town general fund, including the total amount Grantsville owes the town general fund, documentation of the circumstances giving rise to the amounts such as formal action, minutes, or notifications of funding provided by the town general fund, and (4) Grantsville's backup support of the proforma adjustment to build \$50,000 per year into rates for capital improvements including an historical average of capital additions.

Because the Commission does not have before it the necessary information listed above, we will toll the 120-day statutory resolution periods in the Municipal Appeal and the Wholesale Complaints until such information is filed.

The Commission should refer these cases to the Division of Administrative Law Judges.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- On April 1, 2024, the Commission received a petition of protest regarding Grantsville's ordinance adopted on March 4, 2024 to be effective on April 18, 2024, apparently signed by not less than twenty-five percent of Grantsville's water customers.
- On April 3, 2024, Mt. Zion filed a formal complaint against Grantsville regarding the same Grantsville water rate ordinance.
- On April 4, 2024, the Executive Secretary docketed a formal complaint of Pleasant Hill against the same Grantsville water rate ordinance.
- The Commission was closed for business from approximately noon on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 until the morning of Thursday, April 4, 2024, and its internet, phone and fax service were non-operational from approximately 11:30 am

² ORDW Grantsville 24A

The Municipal Appeal

Although the Commission does not have primary ratemaking jurisdiction over municipally operated public utilities, W.Va. Code §24-2-4b(c) provides in

[T]he commission shall review and approve or modify the rates and charges of ... municipally owned water and/or sewer utilities that are political subdivisions of the state and having less than 4,500 customers or annual combined revenues of less than \$3 million upon the filing of a petition within 30 days of the adoption of the ordinance or resolution changing the rates or charges by:

(1) any customer aggrieved by the changed rates or charges who presents to the commission a petition signed by no less than 25 percent of the customers served by the ... municipally owned water and/or sewer utility....

Pursuant to W.Va. Code §24-2-4b(d)(2), the filing of a Petition of protest that appears to consist of not less than twenty-five percent of Grantsville's water customers regarding an ordinance that would result in a rate increase of more than twenty-five percent of gross revenues, means that the law does not allow the rates to go into effect on the date stated in the ordinance. Instead, the law requires the Commission to suspend the rate increase for a period of 120 days for further proceedings. With suspension, and absent a tolling, the statutory resolution date for the Municipal Appeal would be Friday, August 16, 2024.

In addition to suspension, W.Va. Code §24-2-4b(b) states that if the Commission receives a petition of protest as described in subsections (c)(1), (2), or (3) of the statute, and the utility has not filed "information showing the basis of rates and charges and other information as the commission considers necessary, the suspension period limitation of 120-days and the 100-day period limitation for issuance of an order by a hearing examiner . . . is tolled until the necessary information is filed."

The Wholesale Complaints

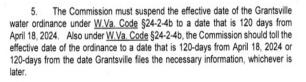
The MZ Wholesale Complaint is governed by W. Va. Code §24-2-3(b). The statute requires that a wholesale customer file a complaint with the Commission within thirty days of enactment by the municipal utility's governing body. Mt. Zion filed its complaint on April 3, 2024, which is the thirtieth day from the March 4, 2024

on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 until power was restored.

5. The Grantsville ordinance filing does not contain the necessary information set forth in this Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- The Municipal Appeal and the Wholesale Complaints should be consolidated and processed on the same timeline because evaluation of each will impact evaluation of the other. If one case, but not all cases, is dismissed for any reason, the others will continue to be processed.
- Resolution of the Municipal Appeal is governed by W.Va. Code §24-2-4b, and the Commission must resolve the complaint within a 120-day suspension period from the effective date stated in the ordinance, unless the Commission tolls the suspension period "until necessary information is filed."
- 3. Resolution of the complaints filed by Mt. Zion and Pleasant Hill is governed by W.Va. Code §24-2-3(b), and the Commission must resolve the complaints within 120-days of filing. Provided, however, that the Commission may toll the 120-day resolution period "until the necessary information showing the basis of the rates, fees, and charges or other information as the commission considers necessary is filed."
- 4. The Commission should deem the PH Wholesale Complaint to have been filed on April 3, 2024, the thirtieth day from the date Grantsville enacted its ordinance, because the complaint is dated April 2, 2024, and the Commission was unable to receive filings on the latter part of the day on April 2, 2024, and all day on April 3, 2024.
- Necessary information for the Commission to evaluate the Municipal Appeal and/or the Wholesale Complaints includes: (1) evidence demonstrating that the increase to the wholesale customer(s) is consistent with the current relative costs reasonably allocable to the wholesale class, or, alternatively, (2) a class cost of service study demonstrating the rate required to cover the costs reasonably allocable to the wholesale class; (3) an explanation of the proposed \$30,000 per year built into rates to pay the town general fund, including the total amount Grantsville owes the town general fund, documentation of the circumstances giving rise to the amounts, such as formal action, minutes, or notifications of funding provided by the town general fund; and (4) Grantsville's backup support of the proforma adjustment to build \$50,000 per year into rates for capital improvements including an historical average of capital additions.



- The Commission should toll the statutory resolution period for the Wholesale Complaints to a date that is 120-days from the date Grantsville files the necessary information - minus the number of days that have elapsed since April 3. 2024 (filing date of the Wholesale Complaints) to the date of this Order.
 - These cases should be referred to the ALJ Division

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the effective date of the Grantsville water rate ordinance and statutory resolution period of Case No. 24-0329-W-MA are suspended and are tolled until a date that is 120-days from April 18, 2024 or 120-days from the date Grantsville files the necessary information described in this Order, whichever is later.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Pleasant Hill Public Service District complaint docketed as Case No. 24-0337-W-WI on April 4, 2024, is deemed filed

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the 120-day statutory resolution period applicable to Case Nos. 24-0333-PWD-WI and 24-0337-PWD-WI is tolled until a date that is 120-days from the date Grantsville files the necessary information described in this Order - minus the number of days that have elapsed since April 3, 2024 to the date of this Order

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that these proceedings are consolidated and referred to the Division of Administrative Law Judges

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED upon the filing by Grantsville of the necessary information described above, the ALJ Division shall issue a procedural order establishing for both cases that 1) the Staff report due date as 45 days from the date Grantsville files the necessary information - minus the number of days that have elapsed since April 3, 2024 to the date of this Order, 2) the recommended decision due date as 90 days from the date that Grantsville files the necessary information - minus the number of days that that have elapsed since April 3, 2024 to the date of this Order, and 3) the statutory resolution date as 120 days from the

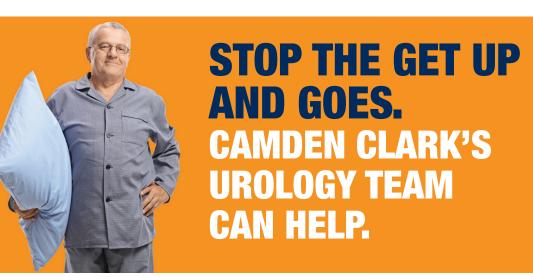
date that Grantsville files the necessary information – minus the number of days that that have elapsed since April 3, 2024 to the date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the recommended decision due date lculated by the ALJ will not be extended except upon Commission determination at the due date was miscalculated or upon formal application to the Commission the parties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that he Executive Secretary serve this Order on the Commission and its Staff by hand delivery, upon all parties of record who electronic service and upon all other parties by United States Mail.

A True Copy, Teste,

Varen Buckley Karen Buckley, Executive Secretary



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304-865-5155

