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Circuit Court Cases before Judge Anita Harold Ashley on April 11th

By Shari Johnson

Judge Anita Harold Ashley held Circuit Court on Thursday, April 11, 2024 for three criminal cases pretrials and several juvenile cases.

Ryan and Ellio Hardman, charged with Gross Neglect Of Child Creating Risk Of Injury Or Death, appeared with their Attorney John Balenovich and Daniel Minardi. The case had been set for trial during the Calhoun County Wood Festival dates and out of concern for trial interruptions the trial was rescheduled for August 20th, 2024 at 9:00 a.m., with a July 18th Pretrial at 11:30 a.m.

David and Dylan Little also appeared before Judge Ashley for a Pretrial. The two were facing the charges of Transferring Stolen Goods and scheduled for Jury trial next week. Due to a misunderstanding of trial dates, Attorney David Richardson stated that he was not prepared to move forward and that he had continued to receive discovery from the State, even as late as today.

Attorney Daniel Minardi who is also council from one of the Little's did not object to the continuance. The recent disclosure of seven State witnesses by Prosecutor Michael Hicks, and a jail call log that exceed 1,000 calls was making it difficult for the attorney's to prepare their case. Attorney Richardson, speaking to the Judge, stated that this was a 2022 case where discovery had been provided by then Prosecutor Nigel Jeffries, case was continued until August 20th at 9 a.m. for trial



Calhoun's REAP "Make It Shine" Event was a Success!



The residents of Calhoun County made a huge difference in the beautification of our county. According to Lisa D'Ann Cooper, the last of the trash collected throughout the county was picked up today. The grand total was 547 bags of litter, 68 tires, 114 volunteers resulting in 28.5 miles cleaned. Please watch for future county clean up days.

Fields Arrested for Grand Larceny and Entering a Building Other than a Dwelling

In a complaint filed by Trooper Brian Young of the West Virginia State Police, he stated that on the morning of Sunday, December 18, 2022, between the hours of midnight and 6:30 a.m., the accused, Edward Fields, did break and enter the outbuilding, located at 4033 Arnoldsburg Rd., Arnoldsburg, Calhoun County, WV, by force, and commit the larceny of one (1) red 2007 Honda 420 Rancher ATV, with the value of \$3500, of the victim, Robert Randolph, with the intent of depriving the victim of permanent use of said vehicle.

The accused was working for the victim prior to this event and was doing repairs on the same vehicle. When the accused failed to come to work repeatedly, the victim fired the accused the day prior to the ATV being stolen.

The original investigator had listed the accused as the suspect in the original investigation and attempted to locate the ATV in the area during that time.

March 20, 2024, Trooper Young located and identified the same ATV located in the front yard belonging to the accused. The ATV had been spray painted green and partly covered by a tarp.

The sole occupant of the residence stated the accused had been the one who acquired the ATV approximately a year prior to the recovery. No bill of sale or titles could be produced.

Edward fields has been charged with Grand Larceny and Entering a building other than a dwelling. He was arraigned and released on a \$20,000 property surety bond in the Magistrate Court of Calhoun County.

Metheny facing Felony Strangulation and Domestic Battery Charges

In a complaint filed by Sgt. K.M. Williams of the West Virginia State Police, the officer stated that on March 10, 2024, at approximately 6:36 p.m. he had received notice from Calhoun County 911 who had received a call from an individual stating that her and Parks Metheny were in an altercation but he had left the residence, located at 1086 Nobe Road, Big Springs, WV 26137, Calhoun County.

Upon arrival the officer spoke to the victim and, observed marks on her left neck. She advised that they had gotten in an argument while driving to the store and Mr. Metheny started braking and accelerating erratically and saying that he would not let her take their child from him or he would kill her. When they got to the residence Mr. Metheny grabbed the car seat and was trying to exit the vehicle, Mr. Metheny then grabbed the victim by her throat while she was attempting to exit the vehicle and started striking her in the back of the head. The victim stated that she had a hard time breathing. She was able to get the car seat out of the vehicle but Mr. Metheny then got out of the car and started hitting her in the back of the head and grabbed ahold of her hair pulling her around the yard while she continued to hold onto the child car seat.

The victim was able to break free and took the child inside the residence and had a family member watch the child and told them to lock the doors. When she came back outside Mr. Metheny had a rake and was busting the rear window out of the red Pontiac G6. Mr. Matheny then came to the front window of the vehicle striking the vehicle with the rake before it came logged in the front glass.

A family member then took Mr. Metheny from the residence to West Fork where he was released from the vehicle. A Criminal History Check shows an arrest and conviction for Domestic Battery on April 10, 2023, in Calhoun County. Parks Metheny has been charged with Domestic Battery and Strangulation and is being held on a \$45,000 cash only bond in the West Virginia Central Regional Jail.



Calhoun County Historical Society Holds Monthly Meeting April 10th

By: Mellody Walburn

The Calhoun County Historical Society held their monthly meeting at the History Center on Thursday, April 10th, at 6:00 pm. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Bonar.

The society discussed some events coming up in the next few weeks. Clean up day at Heritage Village will take place on Saturday, April 20th. The village will be cleaned in preparation for a school field trip and prom season.

The village serves as a beautiful backdrop for prom pictures. Members will be on site in the afternoon prior to prom to open and man the buildings so that students and their families can take photos. The cost for this service and for use of the facilities will be \$5.00 per student.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, May 9th, at 6:00 pm. It was decided that members will meet earlier at 5:00 to work on getting the Veterans' banners ready to hang up again.

The public is welcome to attend all meetings, as the society is always looking for new members.

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OBITUARIES

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

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Liberty Hill Cemetery News

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

Nobe Cemetery Needs Donations

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.

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Rambling Prose

By Linda Crawford

(Leave a message 304-655-8621)

Wilbur and Orville Wright built and sold bicycles before they built airplanes. They learned how to build bicycles to balance by riding them. They applied the same principles in building airplanes.

At some point they never flew together in case they crashed. They must have believed it worth the risk. A lot of investors must have, at some point, believed the idea of flying and even expanded on the idea, worth the risk.

They would not have let me test fly the planes, even a high flight of stairs with no railing makes me want to butt scoot down like a little kid.

Maybe the funding for the EV industry which "we're not ready for" and the charging stations can be diverted to the sudden focus on maintenance of our many bridges since the barge had a steering problem and hit the bridge in Baltimore. The cargo including hazardous materials and lithium batteries sounds like an explosive combination had things gone a bit differently. This should cause an uptick in conversation on the trucking station.

Maybe the soon to be laid off Ford employees can start new careers? "Supply chain" will become even more of a topic of conversation. We can hope the need to make more things in America will be highlighted. Good can come from this.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch, farm, yard, deck, number of people found out four years ago the high cost of seed if you could find seed. Hopefully more have saved their own with enough to share with others. Many have never been dependent on commercial fertilizer and the cost of that encourages others to do the same.

Hopefully, the oldsters can encourage the youngsters to raise as much of their own food. We have recently seen how younger people can step up to the plate and actually set the bar for the rest of us.

There are insect repellants like companion planting that have helped for years, sprinkling with old left over seasonings to confuse the issue. Most people can ask their computer or iPad.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Thurs., April 18: First Baptist Calhoun Food Pantry, Rt. 5, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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

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

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

CMHS Varsity Baseball vs. Webster County at Home

Fri., April 19: Save the Children Parent Child Group, FRN, 1:30 p.m.

Arnoldsburg Elementary School.

Arnoldsburg Farmers Market, Arnoldsburg Community Building Blue Building, 2-6 p.m.

Meet the Candidates Event (Republican Party Event), Arnoldsburg Community Building, 6:00 p.m.

CMHS Varsity Track travels to Doddridge County

CMHS Varsity Baseball vs. Wahama at Home

Sat., April 20: CMHS Varsity Baseball travels to Paden City Away and Midland Trail Away (at Paden City)

Sing, Upper West Fork Park, 6:00 p.m.

Mon., April 22: CMHS Varsity Baseball vs. Richwood Away

CMHS Girls Softball vs. Ritchie County at Home

Tues., April 23: First Baptist Calhoun Food Pantry, Rt. 5, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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

Calhoun Civil Air Patrol, 413 High Street, 6:00 p.m.

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

CMHS Varsity Baseball vs. Clay County at Home

Wed., April 24: CMHS Varsity Baseball vs. Huntington St. Joseph Away

Thurs., April 25: Public inspection and testing of Express Vote voting equipment, 9:00 a.m Courthouse

My Home Among the Hills

by Mellody Walburn



If April showers truly bring May flowers, we are going to have a lot of flowers next month. This has been one of the gloomiest, rainiest, strangest April in my memory. We have had cold, snowy days, stormy, windy days, and sunny, warm days all within the last two weeks. I don't know about you, but I am ready for everything to settle down now and let summer slide in slowly.

Last week began slowly with a professional learning day at school. This was a good way to ease back in after spring break. I spent most of the day in meetings, but I did have time to get my Easter decorations put away and to do some planning for the weeks ahead. It is hard to believe, but we are in the downward slide to summer vacation. There are six weeks of school left, and there is a lot going on in those six weeks.

On Tuesday, the students returned from their spring break, and we jumped right back into our routine. The GSA test will be here before we know it, and I want to make sure I have covered all of my standards before that occurs. This is a relatively new feeling for me; I only taught 6th grade for one year here in West Virginia, and my high school students didn't take this particular test.

I was thankful for a normal day on Tuesday because Wednesday was far from normal. I spent some of my planning time getting everything ready for a substitute because I had to attend a meeting in the morning. As the school year ends, there will be a number of these meetings to prepare some of our students to make the transition to 5th grade. I have mentally prepared myself for this and know these meetings are important and necessary, but I really hate not being in my classroom.

Wednesday afternoon was abnormal too. The 4th grade has been fundraising all year to make their trip to Kennywood possible. Our last fundraiser was selling Krispy Kreme Doughnuts. The students did a great selling these tasty treats, and they arrived on Wednesday afternoon right after lunch ended. The delivery truck pulled up in the rain, and it was our job to unload the multitude of boxes, sort them into types, and then begin filling each order so they would be ready for pick-up at 4:00. Miss Yoak and I, along with the help of a few students, worked diligently to get everything ready in time. Thanks to the generosity of our PE teacher, who gave us the extra time we needed, we were able to accomplish our task. My watch tracks my steps, and that day I topped 12,000 steps. Boy did my feet hurt!

Parent pick-up of the doughnuts took place between 4-5, and then I headed back upstairs to my classroom to clean up and write a note for my substitute. My dad had a doctor's appointment on Thursday, so I took the day off to help with that. Thankfully, my plans were already written, so I just needed to write out specific directions for whomever would be covering for me the next day. It was after six when I finally packed my school bag and headed home.

Dad's appointment was at eight in Spencer, so I got a little extra sleep before I headed down to my parents' house. The weatherman was saying we might have some severe storms later in the day, so my hope was Dad would get called back quickly, the appointment would run smoothly, and he and Maricia would be home before the rain and wind started. Thankfully, this was exactly what happened. I wasn't the only one watching and worrying about the weather. Many schools in the area, including Calhoun, dismissed early to get students home before the storms hit.

Thursday evening, we had our monthly historical society meeting. The weather wasn't great, but the really bad stuff hadn't reached us yet. By the time the meeting ended, it had started to get really dark. By the time I went to bed, we were on a three-hour delay, and by seven the next morning, we were closed.

The rain and flooding were something I will never forget, and then Saturday the skies cleared, and it was all over. The waters receded, the sun came out, and the temperatures began to rise. My family actually act our lunch on my parents' deck on Sunday afternoon. I am hoping for a quiet, peaceful week ahead, fingers crossed.

Senior Citizens Menu

Menu for the Senior Citizens Center (2% milk and margarine available daily): (Dining hall is open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.)

Wed., April 24: roast beef, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, fruit, whole wheat roll.

Thurs., April 25: sloppy joe, potatoes, pasta salad, juice, whole wheat bun.

Fri., April 26: fish, whole wheat bun, whole wheat potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit.

Fri., April 19: lasagna, whole wheat bread, applesauce.

Mon., April 22: northern beans, kraut with wieners, fruit, whole wheat cornbread.

Tues., April 23: chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, whole wheat bread, fruit.

Monthly income, \$700 or less, \$1.25 per meal; \$701 to \$800, \$1.50; \$801 to \$900, \$1.75; \$901 or above, \$2. Guests under age 60, \$5.25. You may drive-by/pick-up meals from 11 to 11:30 a.m., Mon-Fri, by calling 304-354-7017, to be placed on a list.

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This Week In Calhoun History

The following reports are taken from the Calhoun Chronicle Archives.

1924, 100 YEARS AGO: Who's Who & What's What in Calhoun High School

The teacher's preparatory school began this week at the Calhoun County High School. The teacher, Miss Petty, was unsuccessful in making the connection for her arrival Saturday, but was received cordially by all, Tuesday morning. Ten teachers have enrolled and are progressing very nicely so far.

Professor Cooper is sporting around in a new Ford Coupe, look out Mr. Cooper this is leap year.

The Mountaineer Literary Society is going to present a play. "My Irish Rose", sometime about the middle of May, watch this column for further announcement concerning this play.

It is thought that the Calhoun County High School will soon receive the Chevrolet speed wagon, as the girls have been appointed to make sales of the remainder of the Fire Extinguishers and Steering wheels for the Grantsville Garage & Supply Co.

The ball ground looks like an ant hill these days. About thirty-five men reported for practice for the first day, but some of them have fallen out.

After school Monday evening several of the boys made a rush to a radio to hear the scores of the opening game in the Big League.

Work on the State Roud had been started this week, which has made quite a change in the coming and going from school.

1949, 75 YEARS AGO: Local Seniors At Glenville--Sixty Calhoun County high school students will attend the second annual Senior day at Glenville State College, Thursday April 21. These Calhoun County high school seniors will be part of some 600 students who are expected to attend Senior day on the Glenville State campus, representing 16 high schools from 10 counties.

Schools which have indicated to Register Michael E. Posey, director, that they will attend Senior day activities are Cowen, Calhoun County high school, Wirt county high school, Burnsville, Widen, Tanner, Walkersville, Normantown, Sand Fork, Glenville, Troy, St. Marys, Cairo, Sutton, Spencer and Clay.

Beginning at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, a general assembly will be held in the college auditorium featuring a program of music presented by the college music department. President Harry B. Heflin will speak to the 600 members of the class of 1949, and Registrar Poey will welcome them to a "Day of College."

Luncheon will be served to the visitors in the dining rooms of Kanawha Hall beginning at 11:30 a.m. Classrooms, laboratories, offices, dormitories, will be open for inspection by the seniors and their faculty sponsors. Displays are being planned, exhibits are in readiness, and laboratory work will be open for visitation by the guests. Concluding the day of visitation which attempts to provide the high school senior with a better concept of the nature and purpose of college life, Glenville State Pioneers will play West Virginia Tech in a baseball game at 1:30 p.m., at Rohrbough stadium.

1974, 50 YEARS AGO: Recognition Dinner Honors Foster Parents Of Area

In conjunction with National Action for Foster Children Week, the Department of Welfare sponsored a recognition banquet for the Calhoun and Gilmer County Foster Parents. The banquet was held at the Gilmer County Recreation Center on April 11.

Entertainment was provided by Mrs. Janet Haymaker, who sang "Killing Me Softly" and "You've Got A Friend." The Gospel Tones also provided selections. Those making up the Gospel Tones are: Wilda and Johnny Kuhl, Dean Furr and Don Bailey.

Mrs. Lorene Wolfe, mistress of ceremonies, announced the Department's nominees for Foster parents of the Year. The nominees are Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilson of Grantsville. They will be entered in the state contest for Foster Parents of the Year. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to all foster parents by Earl Nicholson, Area administrator. Many prizes were won by the foster parents present at the banquet. A few of these included: Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Husk, The Foster Parents traveling the greatest distance to attend the banquet. Mr. and Mrs. Oral Brake, the foster family with the most children; Mrs. Ruby Myers, the newest foster family; Mr. and Mrs. Ruffner Cottrell, the family that had been foster parents the longest number of years. Many other prizes and floral arrangements were won by the foster parents attending the banquet.

Arnoldsburg Farmer's Market will open April 19th.

Local farms, Artisan products, crafts, fresh produce, baked goods. Come on out and experience new tastes and treats from your home beginning April 19th from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.. The Farmer's Market will be held every Friday from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. It is located at 1280 Arnoldsburg Road Arnoldsburg Community Park Blue Building. For more information call or text (409)-594-4275 or follow on Facebook-Arnoldsburg Farmer's Market.

WV State Treasury Office will conduct an Unclaimed Property Search at the CCCOA on April 24th at 10 am

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.

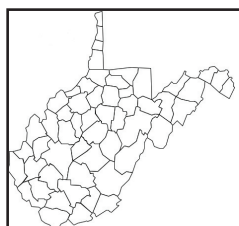
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For more information about Mon Power's Transmission Aerial Saw Program, call 1-800-686-0022. When contacting, please alert our Representatives that your call is pertaining to our Transmission Aerial Saw Program.

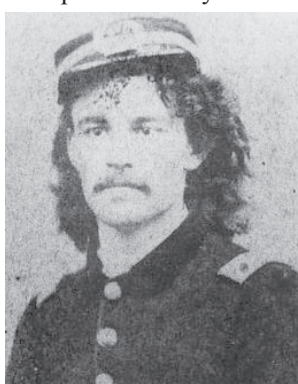


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Charleston WV – The following events happened on these dates in West Virginia history. To read more, go to e-WV: The West Virginia Encyclopedia at www.wvencyclopedia.org. The W.Va. Encyclopedia is a project of the W.Va. Humanities Council, 1310 Kanawha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

April 18, 1756: The largest French & Indian War battle fought in present West Virginia occurred about two miles northeast of U.S. 50 and County Route 15 in present Capon Bridge, Hampshire County.



a number of children's books, including Carry On, Mr. Bowditch, which won the 1956 Newberry Award.

April 20, 1823: General

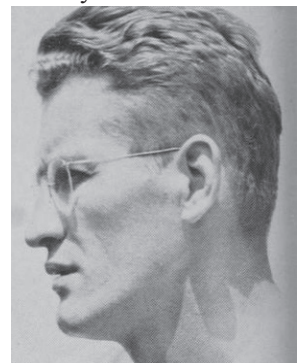


Jesse Lee Reno was born in Wheeling and died in battle at South Mountain, Maryland, in 1862. He graduated from West Point in 1846 with another cadet from western Virginia, Thomas J. Jackson, later "Stonewall." Reno was the highest-ranking officer from present West Virginia killed in the Civil War.

clawhammer banjo style, un-accompanied ballad singing, riddles and storytelling influenced countless numbers of younger musicians.



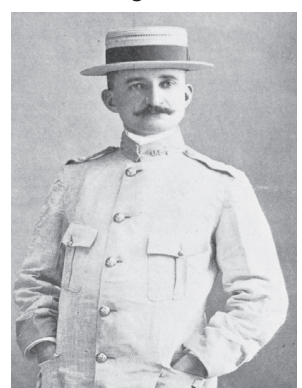
April 21, 1936: President Franklin Roosevelt established the Jefferson National Forest. The West Virginia portion of this forest includes nearly 20,000 acres in Monroe County.



April 22, 1908: Marshall "Little Sleepy" Glenn was born in Elkins. Glenn coached basketball at West Virginia University from 1934 to 1938 and football from 1937 to 1940. He was inducted into the WVU Sports Hall of Fame in 1992.



April 22, 2003: Activist Judy Bonds, a Raleigh Countynative, received the Goldman Environmental Prize for her fight against mountaintop removal mining. Her efforts inspired thousands and turned a local issue in West Virginia into a



national cause. **April 23, 1857:** Andrew S. Rowan was born in Gap Mills, Monroe County. Rowan, a military officer, was chosen as the messenger when President William McKinley wanted to send a message to Cuban General Calixto Garcia during the Spanish-American War. The 1899 pamphlet A Message to Garcia made the incident famous.

April 24, 1865: McNeill's Rangers surrendered to Union troops at New Creek (now Keyser). The Confederate guerrilla force probably never numbered more than 100 men at any time but managed to inflict regular damage

April 18, 1849: State Supreme Court Justice Marmaduke Dent was born in Monongalia County. He received the first bachelor's and master's degrees from West Virginia University. A populist judge, he ruled against railroads and supported Carrie Williams in an 1898 case finding that Black schools were entitled to the same length school terms as other schools.

April 18, 1861: At the beginning of the Civil War, retreating U.S. troops set fire to the national armory and arsenal at Harpers Ferry to keep them out of Confederate hands. However, Virginia militia extinguished the flames and sent much of the weapon-making equipment south before destroying the site in June 1861.



April 18, 1912: The Paint Creek-Cabin Creek Strike of 1912-13 began when coal operators rejected the demands of their unionized workers for a wage increase. The strike that followed was one of the most dramatic and bloody conflicts in the early 20th century labor struggles in southern West Virginia known as the Mine Wars.



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April 19, 1896: Writer Melville Davisson Post was born in Harrison County. His best-known works are the Randolph Mason series, published in three volumes, and the more successful collection, Uncle Abner: Master of Mysteries.

April 19, 1902: Author Jean Lee Latham was born in Buckhannon. She wrote



April 20, 1863: President Lincoln issued a proclamation that in 60 days, West Virginia would become a state. This occasion was marked 100 years later during the state's Centennial celebration with a special ceremonial session of the West Virginia legislature on April 20, 1963, in Wheeling.



April 20, 1909: Fiddler Melvin Wine was born near Burnsville. A favorite of old-time music enthusiasts nationally, he was chosen as a National Heritage Fellow in 1991 by the National Endowment for the Arts, the highest recognition given to a folk artist in the United States.



April 20, 1939: Poet Irene McKinley was born in Belington, Barbour County. Gov. Gaston Caperton appointed her state poet laureate in 1993, and she served in that capacity until her death in 2012.

April 21, 1908: Traditional musician Phoeba Cottrell Parsons was born in Calhoun County. Parsons's traditional

Op-Ed by Areyah White

Must Calhoun Flood? by Aryeh White

Calhoun County floods. We all know this. Worse, we have accepted this.

Every time we have heavy rains, the waterways swell, roads are closed, homes and businesses are damaged, God-knows-what gets washed downstream, school is closed, and countless other injuries and inconveniences are suffered by our community. After each flood the injured look to the Commission, the State, the Feds, NGOs, and charities to be made whole.

This reactive mindset has become entrenched and accepted. A proactive Commission would be preventing a future flood even as they make citizens whole from the last flood.

While there's little to be done directly on the Little Kanawha, with its flow and level controlled by the dam in Burnsville, there is much that can be done on its tributaries. The West Fork at the Arnoldsburg Y, for example, is a full 50' higher than the Little Kanawha in Grantsville and over 100' higher than its confluence with the Little Kanawha at Creston. No, the Little Kanawha would be lapping at the parking lot behind the Dollar General in Grantsville before it reached the same elevation as the banks of the West Fork in Arnoldsburg.

Passive flood control structures such as weirs are proven, long-lasting, effective, safe, and inexpensive methods to control riverine flooding. A weir, like a dam, is a structure that holds back some water in a stream, but it differs in two critical ways.

First, a weir is designed to have water flow across its entire top, not just a small spillway. Second, a weir is totally passive, requiring no operator to manage water release for its safe operation. These two differences make weirs far safer than dams.

In the oldest settled areas of the Eastern Seaboard stone weirs dating from the 18th and 19th centuries are a key part of the current flood control systems. Originally constructed to raise water levels to provide power for mills, these structures have been modified for flood control and remain sound and operational centuries later. In the UK, there are truly ancient weirs still in use that were present prior to the Domesday Book of 1086. With maintenance a few times a century, these structures can function indefinitely.

A weir can be used a few ways to manage flooding. One arrangement, the top-flood pond, has a pond held back by a crenelated weir. In normal conditions, the water flows over the weir in the low places between the crenelations. When flow increases, water builds up behind the crenelations, increasing the height of the pond by up to several feet. If the water exceeds the capacity of the weir, it simply flows over the top, and the flow rate returns to the level it would have been if the weir weren't present.

Another arrangement is a dry weir, in which a drainage culvert flows under the weir. In normal conditions, the culvert allows the stream to pass unimpeded. When flow increases to, say, twice normal flow, the water begins to build up behind the weir, limiting flow to twice the normal rate until the weir reaches capacity, after which the flow over the top of the weir is about what it would have been if the weir weren't there.

In either arrangement, the idea is to build a temporary storage capacity into the waterway. This way, an hour of extreme downpour might be drained downstream over several hours, limiting the flooding. By working upstream and building a series of small weirs across the tiny creeks, runs, and other tributaries, we can reduce the frequency and severity of the flooding downstream.

The exact form any flood control system Calhoun County might develop will require much research and discussion. As candidate for Commissioner, I have already begun very informal initial talks with state and federal agencies regarding the possibility of such projects and been met with a lot of enthusiasm. In a relative sense, top flood ponds and dry weirs offer a very inexpensive solution to an expensive problem. Controlling flooding is of interest locally; controlling the pollution that results from flooding is of interest nationally. Everything that goes into our water here is felt all the way to the end of the Little Kanawha, Ohio, and Mississippi rivers.

Houers shouldn't accept the status quo of flooding. Together we can address this issue, improving our quality of life and making this county more attractive for opportunity.

Gov. Justice adds 14 counties to last week's State of Emergency

CHARLESTON, WV — Gov. Jim Justice has amended last week's State of Emergency to include Boone, Braxton, Calhoun, Doddridge, Gilmer, Harrison, Jackson, Logan, Mingo, Ritchie, Roane, Tyler, Wayne, Wirt counties after severe thunderstorms caused tornados, flooding, downed trees, power outages, and road blockages.

On April 2nd, Gov. Justice originally issued a State of Emergency for Fayette, Kanawha, Lincoln, and Nicholas counties. On April 4th, Gov. Justice added Barbour, Brooke, Hancock, Marshall, Ohio, Wetzel, and Wood counties to the original declaration. On April 8th, Gov. Justice also added Pleasants County.

A total of 26 counties are under a State of Emergency because of last week's severe weather.

The State of Emergency declaration is a proactive measure ensuring the allocation of necessary resources and expediting emergency response efforts. It allows state and local agencies to take swift and decisive actions to mitigate the impact of dangers in an effort to protect the lives and property of West Virginians.

Residents are encouraged to remain vigilant and monitor official emergency management and local media accounts for updates.

Last week, Gov. Justice issued a State of Preparedness for all 55 counties, which is still in effect.

DoHS Extends SNAP Benefit Replacement Application Period for Losses Due to April Storm

Thursday, April 11, 2024 --CONTACT: DoHSCommunications@wv.gov
CHARLESTON, W. Va. – The West Virginia Department of Human Services (DoHS), Bureau for Family Assistance (BFA) is extending the time frame for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Benefit Replacement applications for some counties, due to the April 2, 2024 storm.

"During challenging times, we're here to support our communities affected by the recent storm," said Janie Cole, DoHS Bureau for Family Assistance Commissioner. "Together, we can provide the assistance needed to rebuild and thrive.

Residents in the following counties will have until close of business on April 22, 2024 to submit applications: Barbour, Boone, Brooke, Cabell, Clay, Fayette, Hancock, Kanawha, Lincoln, Marshall, Mason, Nicholas, Ohio, Putnam, Roane, Wayne, Wetzel, and Wood.

All other counties will have until close of business on April 12, 2024, to submit SNAP Benefit Replacement applications.

Clients who lost food purchased with SNAP benefits due to a power outage of more than four hours may be eligible for benefit replacement and are encouraged to apply.

For questions about SNAP or to request an application, residents should contact their local DoHS county office, or call the Office of Constituent Services' Customer Services Hotline at 1-877-716-1212.

Creston News

by Alvin Engelke
Phone 275-3578



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

The big spring Creston ATV poker run will be April 27. Biscuits & gravy will start out the day and there will be new tee shirts.

Creston continued to have spring weather with trilliums, sessile trilliums, dog toothed violets, white violets, yellow violets, apple trees and other things in bloom. Then, on Thursday there was "an excess" of rain causing local flash flooding. It was reported that the water coming out of Burning Springs Run was up on the steps of the church and there were similar situations elsewhere.

Both the West Fork and the main Little Kanawha came up blocking W. Va. 5 going toward Grantsville and of course Ann's Run, Woodring, Little Creek & the Richardsonville roads. The water was the highest it had been in several years. As might be expected, electric, telephone & internet "service" was interrupted.

Last year the state road removed the two culverts under the road at the mouth of Pete's Run and replaced them with one. Back in the days of yore, management staff who determined the proper size of culverts went to school to learn how to do the math to properly size culverts [and spaces under bridges]. Some had arithmetic problems so a computer program was prepared for culvert replacement. The two old culverts, both of which seemed be good, were destroyed. Now, long story short, the culvert was unable to handle the flow of Pete's Run so water came over the road like as a dam and washed out about half of the roadway even undercutting the blacktop that was the surface. There are now road closed signs.

Austin Grimmert, who is running for Prosecuting Attorney, was campaigning in Creston and surveyed the damaged road situation. Pete's Run was named for Revolutionary War soldier & patriot Peter McCune and he is one of Austin's ancestors.

Klaus Schwab' WEF (World Economic Forum) & their US toadies haven't yet banned the peasants from driving private automobiles for work and pleasure. Thus, it is worth a drive up to I-79 to see the red buds which are spectacular between the Flatwoods exit and Coon Knob (where 4 lane US 19 heads south). Little Jimmy Wriston's out of state buddies and their tree trimming scam didn't cut them down. Pioneer gas man Godfrey L. Cabot who lived on Beacon Street in Boston always made it a point to journey to W. Va. when the red buds were in their prime.

Tom Mowrey is not doing well at all.

The Thursday storm caused a tree to hit Phillip Dennis's home doing extensive damage.

The wood boring bumble bees are now out in force.

A prominent upper West Fork gentleman was attending to business in Creston at the mouth of the West Fork. He noted that when he was attending Calhoun County High School that in his senior year he had 3 hours without classes. He had learned how to cut hair and at the time "flat tops" were "the" thing. He set up a tonsorial parlour in the school bus garage and students could get a haircut for just 50 cents that was just as good as the \$1 cut at Grantsville's two barbers. One day he was called to principal Roy J. Stump's office and he wondered why. In the office was state trooper Haynes and Prosecuting Attorney Stanley d'Orazio. d'Orazio gave him what for because he was cutting hair without "training" and a license and that there was danger from disease and there was a chance for a long visit up at the Big House in Moundsville. Needless to say the young entrepreneur was thoroughly scared. When he got on the school bus that afternoon the driver said, "We know what happened. Don't worry as we will protect you as there are 7 of us & they are not coming for you." Of course the school bus drivers all got free hair cuts.

Kathy Arthur has been on the sick list.

Area residents have been feasting on morel mushrooms and ramps.

Several area folks attended the SOOGA (Southeastern Ohio Oil & Gas Association) meeting over near Marietta. Brooksville's Winnie Sinnett is the president. There was a lot of talk about all the crazies trying to shut down "fossil fuels" and it was noted that likely there will not be any more big pipelines taking local gas away to markets elsewhere. It was noted that the big "chip" factory planned for Columbus will require a vast amount of energy and windmills & solar panels are not in the running. Bill Gates and the big tech folks are "agin us" but now they have no choice. The Shale Crescent folks have been trying to have manufacturing here that uses methane, ethane, propane, etc. as a feedstock but dingbats & grifters think that things should be made in China. The Nucor steel plant claims that solar panels will run the plant but such might light up the welcome sign. Those who follow real business note that world demand for crude oil will not peak before 2030. Along those lines drilling in the wet Marcellus in W. Va. shows no sign of a letup. A chart was presented showing that now the price/mcf of natural gas here was \$1.80 compared to \$15.00 in both Europe & the orient.

An oil & gas owner in another county was offered 14% net royalty and binding arbitration as the "final & best offer", thanks to the sell out by the W. Va. legislature and Blair. Across the river in Ohio, Barnesville was offered a lease bonus of \$7,500/acre with 20% royalty and the offer was rejected as being too low.

The W. Va. State Treasurer's Office has banned more financial institutions for being in ESG and against W. Va. & its citizens. The new ones are Citigroup, TD Bank, Northern Trust and Chinese owned HSBC.

The price of local Pennsylvania grade crude rose o \$84.66/bbl. with condensate fetching \$66.66/bbl. with Marcellus & Utica light bringing \$75.66 and medium \$84.66/bbl. The Henry Hub (Louisiana) price of natural gas was \$1.77/MMBTU.

Recipe Corner by Emma Howell

Baked Spaghetti IN Garlic Bread

1 Loaf Rhodes Bread Dough or 12 Rhodes Dinner Rolls, thawed to room temperature

6 oz spaghetti, cooked

1 cup thick spaghetti sauce

8 oz mozzarella cheese, cut into 1/2 -inch cubes

1 egg white

Parmesan cheese

Parsley flakes

Garlic powder

Optional- 1/2 lb cooked sausage or burger

Spray counter lightly with non-stick cooking spray (or use parchment paper). Roll loaf or combined dinner rolls into a 12x16-inch rectangle. Cover with plastic wrap and let rest for 10-15 minutes.

Cook spaghetti according to package instructions. Drain and let cool slightly.

Remove wrap from dough. Place spaghetti lengthwise in a 4-inch strip down the center of dough. Top with sauce and cheese cubes. (Or, mix spaghetti and sauce together and added cooked meat)

Make cuts 1 1/2-inches apart on long sides of dough to within 1/2-inch of filling. Begin braid by folding top and bottom strips toward filling. Then braid strips left over right, right over left. Finish by pulling last strip over and tucking under braid. Lift braid with both hands and place on large sprayed baking sheet. (or transfer parchment paper to baking sheet).

Brush with egg white and sprinkle with Parmesan cheese and parsley and garlic powder). Bake at 350 for 30-35 minutes or until golden brown.

Cool slightly and slice to serve.

If you are looking for a recipe please email contact@calhounchronicle.com or mail your request to PO Box 400 Grantsville, WV 26147.

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West Virginians can utilize the 2-1-1 program, operated by United Way of W.Va. It connects callers with health and human services resources through trained certified specialists, to learn about specific programs, intake requirements, eligibility, operation hours and more.

“United Way of W.Va. provides an important service to West Virginians by helping users navigate the vast number of resources available to aid with healthcare issues, food shortages, mental health questions and more,” said Sen. Joe Manchin.

“This program is more

important now than ever, as we battle the COVID-19 pandemic.”

“United Way’s new 2-1-1 will make information on a wide variety of local support services more accessible,” said UW of Central W.Va. president Margaret O’Neal.

“Whether it’s information for locating a health clinic, finding child care programs, or getting housing assistance, 2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember, go-to resource for individuals and families.”

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BIG SPRINGS STATION ROOF REPLACEMENT

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received by the **Public Service District P.O. Box 327 Grantsville, WV 26147 (mailing address)** at the office of the District, **229 Court Street Grantsville WV 26147** until **April 25, 2024** at **1:30 p.m.** local time. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work: **Demolition of existing roof structures and systems and furnishing and installing a complete roofing system including all necessary and miscellaneous appurtenances. Obtaining the Bidding Documents**

Digital or paper copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the Issuing Office, **being Boyles and Hildreth, Consulting Engineers**, located at **108 Court Street, Spencer, WV 25276** upon request to **boyleshildreth@citynet.net**. Delivery is at the requester's risk. In order to be considered a valid and responsible Bidder, the Bidder must obtain a copy of the BIDDING DOCUMENTS from the Issuing Office five (5) days prior to the BID opening date.

The District reserves the right to reject any or all BIDS, including without limitation, nonconforming, non-responsive, unbalanced, or conditional BIDS. OWNER further reserves the right to reject the BID of any Bidder whom it finds, after reasonable inquiry and evaluation, to be non-responsible. OWNER may also reject the BID of any Bidder if OWNER believes that it would not be in the best interest of the Project to make an award to that Bidder. OWNER also reserves the right to negotiate Contract terms with successful Bidder. No BID may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after the time of the opening of the BIDS.

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LEGAL NOTICE --

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The public inspection and testing of the county's ExpressVote voting equipment and ballots, in accordance with WV Code 3-4A-26, will be held on Thursday, April 25, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

The test shall be open to representatives of the political parties, candidates, the press and the public.
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LEGAL NOTICE -- LEGAL NOTICE --

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

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.

Op-Ed by Gaylen Duskey 304-354-7227

My friend Roger Propst took pictures of a family of bluebirds building a nest in a birdhouse he built on his property up on Phillips Run. He said he plans to continue to watch the bluebirds. I hope he does and continues to take pictures of them throughout the spring and summer until the little ones grow up and fly away. I want to keep up with them too.

That's what I want to do because of the awfulness and the insanity of the last few days. After having my bubble burst – the one I tell you not to live in – I was licking my wounds and working on a column about the flooding and near flooding here along the Little Kanawha River using the flood level dates my friend Terry Snider Harris had compiled about flooding here in Grantsville.

It was going to have been a rather "dry" column just pointing out facts, especially in light of the building of the dam at Burnsville, because everyone is against flooding. Right? Wrong!

Instead, I saw posts on the internet by some, including some who seek to lead us, seemingly cheering for the rising floodwaters especially the floodwaters at Avalon the development going on at the old Calhoun High School and Wayne Underwood Field.

It just seemed to be an "I told you so" to the people building Avalon, especially the new swimming pool, and those supporting them. This came right on the back of battling over water rates and lamp posts in the town of Grantsville.

There was acrimony followed by natural disaster followed by more acrimony and it seemed as if my bubble had been burst bigtime and everything was going bad and it couldn't be much worse. But I was wrong. So wrong.

While trying to lick my wounds (figuratively not literally like a cat) I was watching television when news about 300 or so missiles and drones had been launched from Iran towards Israel came on.

It was much worse than what was going on in my little corner of the world since this one WAS the world. Hatred and stupidity had boiled over on a worldwide stage and the peace and maybe even the survival of the world hinged in the balance.

And the media – the real media and the so-called "mainstream" media – were quickly in my face telling me not only what was going on, which was horrific, but speculating on what would go on, which was even more horrific. Why? As John Belushi says in the movie Animal House when asked why something was done – "why not?" Why not indeed?

It seems as if the whole thing is a bad dream, and you keep waiting to wake up only to realize you are awake and you pray for sleep. And the end timers and doomsday sayers danced for joy and they may be right. Who knows?

Meanwhile back in America our legal system has been bastardized in an attempt to sway an election by driving one candidate out of the race by hook, crook or political fiat so his opponents won't have to resort to stealing again.

And the leader of that side continues to dodder around making insane and insane statements while having a one-word statement to make to the enemy of our friends about threats to attack our friends – "don't." Don't? That's what girls say to boys when the boy wants to go too far not what you tell world terror organizations and their supporters.

Such weak warnings as "don't" lead to 300-or-so missiles and drones being launched. But there is time to fix things. Really. Before Armageddon really does happen, we may have time to change things peacefully.

First these sham trials of President Donald J. Trump need to come to and end with every verdict going in his favor because it is all an attempt to disenfranchise half of the voters in America.

It is not American it is an attempt to install totalitarianism on the country and if they – the national democrat party, the deep state and the "mainstream" media – get away with it then we get what we deserve.

If those three entities allow President Trump to live and run for President, we need to elect him and add a Republican Senate and Congress if we as a country ever hope to reverse all the damage done in the past three and a half years by the party in power.

Yes, things can change and get better, but it will never happen with the people we have in charge in charge. It is that simple. But it won't be easy since these are the people who allowed the China Flu (Covid 19) to happen, knowing it was happening, and covering it up with a shut down of our lives and then lying about it.

The truth is just now beginning to come out. Sigh.

But moreover, Monday is April 15th which is affectionately known as Tax Day and guess what the powers that be have hired 87,000 new IRS agents who will be checking up on you and me. That's right YOU AND ME.

It truly is a battle for America, and it is a battle we must win.

Locally the battle is just as intense if only on a smaller and friendlier level and the answer there is just as simple too – we must choose leaders who support progress instead of maintaining the status quo.

Look and learn who supports building a better Calhoun and support those people. I know I will. Meanwhile while the world watches the horrible events in the Middle East unfold, we can only pray for the best and we should.

Meanwhile I plan to follow the lives of the bluebirds through the lenses of Roger Propst's camera while trying to rebuild my bubble.

Until next time stay safe but don't live life in a bubble.

Parkersburg Area Community Foundation Announces \$225,000 Matching Donation

Friends of the Parkersburg Area Community Foundation have joined together to create a new permanent endowment fund that will forever support the Foundation's work and honor the dedication of the organization's previous Executive Director, Judy Ritchie.

The Judith Ritchie Legacy Fund is a tribute to Judy's 24-year career and dedication to the region and its regional community foundation. To help the Parkersburg Area Community Foundation (PACF) grow this fund, Judy's husband Doug Ritchie and friends, Mary Riccobene, and Mary Anne and Doug Ketelsen are offering a \$1:\$1 match for all donations to the Judith Ritchie Legacy Fund made before June 30, 2024. Total match available is \$225,000.

Dubbed the "Extra Mile Challenge" by the PACF Board of Directors, the Foundation is pleased to announce that it's two-thirds of the way to meeting the fundraising challenge.

To date, 59 donors have contributed a total of \$155,500 to the Judith Ritchie Legacy Fund. Lead supporters, with gifts varying from \$5,000 to \$50,000, include Kay and Dr. Wayne Dunn, Mary and Bob Wright, Wendy and John Ralsten, Ginger and Curtis Miller, West Virginia Central Federal Credit Union, the Spirit of Giving Fund, and many anonymous donors. Gifts have gratefully been received in memory of Carol and William Watson and Sue and Bruce White.

"For 60 years, the PACF has been a resource to assist civic minded individuals in meeting their charitable goals," said PACF supporter Curtis Miller. "Judy went the extra mile for many years as Executive Director. It is our turn to go the extra mile and help the Foundation take a big step toward its own sustainable future."

Those who want to go the "extra mile" for the Foundation may make their donation online at www.pacfwv.com/extramile or by mailing a check, made payable to the PACF, to PACF, PO Box 1762, Parkersburg, WV 26102.

Individuals who would like to learn more or to discuss other gift options may contact the Foundation's current Executive Director, Fred Rader, or its Senior Development and Stewardship Officer, Julie Posey, by calling 304-428-4438.

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.

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Calhoun, Clay, Nicholas and Roane Counties (TMU-306 Goff Run-Linden Road 138kV Line, Linden Road-Powell Mountain 138kV Line)

Beginning at the Goff Run Substation off of US Rt's 33 and 119 east of Spencer West Virginia in Roane County. The line runs in a southeasterly direction crossing near CR 5/14 Daniels Run, CR 40 Slate Rd, CR 36/1, CR 48/3 Kaufman Rd, CR 48 Otto Rd, CR 48/2 Chambers Fork, CR 50/5 Clover Rd, CR 50 Keffer Hill, and CR 2/5 Linden Rd where the line taps into the Linden Road Substation. The line continues in a southeast direction crossing CR 27 Linden Bright Rd, and continues into Calhoun County near CR 20/8 Sang Run Rd, crossing CR 20/9 Big Run Rd, CR 1/5, Beech Fork, White Oak Rd, CR 17/2, and CR 28 Mud Fork Rd. The line then enters into Clay County crossing CR 38/1 W Fork Rd, CR 38 Clinic Dr, SR 16, Interstate 79 and Big Otter Creek, CR 19 Ossia Rd, Deadfall Run Rd, CR 16/2 Otterlick Rd, James Dunfield Rd, SR 4 Duck Rd, the Elk River, CR 11 Widen Ridge Rd, CR 11/4 Lantz Rd, Rock Camp Rd, CR 15/2 Swandale Rd, CR 52 Rush Camp, Buffalo Creek, and CR 15/4 Taylor Fork Rd. The line then enters Nicholas County and runs along Turkey Creek, crossing CR 19/26 Spruce Run Rd and US Rt 19, terminating at the Powell Mountain Substation off CR 19/41 Hookersville Rd north of Muddlety West Virginia.

For more information about Mon Power's Transmission Aerial Saw Program, call 1-800-686-0022. When contacting, please alert our Representatives that your call is pertaining to our Transmission Aerial Saw Program.



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.

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 you!

Calhoun and Surrounding Counties Event Page

Preschool & Kindergarten

Enrollment Information

Calhoun County Universal Preschool now has enrollment packets available for parents to get 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 school hours.

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 Pre-school.

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 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 physician)

- 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.

West Central Beekeeper's Association

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

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 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 low-income 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!!!!



Library Hours

Calhoun County Library hours are: Mon., Wed. and Fri., 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Tue. and Thur., 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. If you feel sick, please stay home. We have lots of new books and activities happening.

Lions Club Bingo

Lions Club bingo will be held in the Lions Club Building, 103 Stump St., Grantsville, first and third Saturdays of each month at 6 p.m.

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.

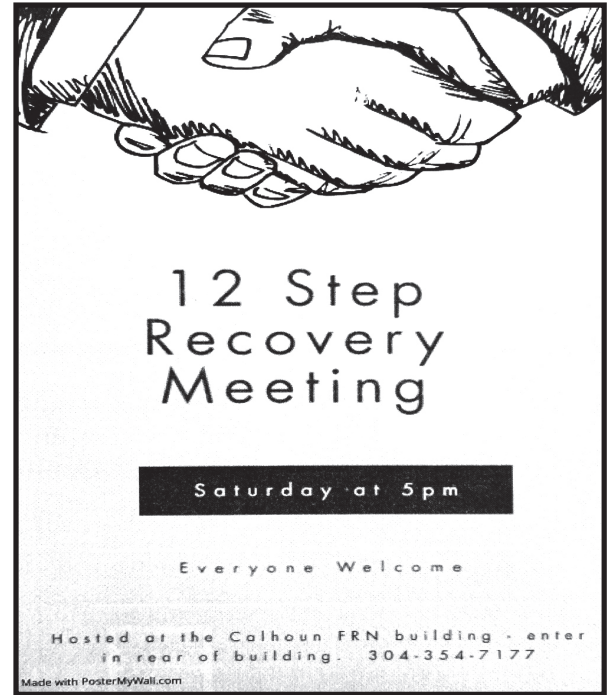
Food Pantry

CRI operates a food pantry, Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m.-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.



12 Step Recovery Meeting

Saturday at 5pm

Everyone Welcome

Hosted at the Calhoun FRN building - enter in rear of building. 304-354-7177

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

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, 13

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 3:16

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

New Testament Baptist Church

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Smithville, WV 26178

Pastor Jim Lough - Assistant Pastor Nick Randolph

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Calhoun County High School Alumni Association

Contact Information

Calhoun County High School Alumni Association is in need of updated contact information to keep all alumni up-to-date on current events.

Return the following information to CCHS Alumni Association, P.O. Box 11, Grantsville, WV 26147, or email to nikkiboatright@gmail.com.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Maiden Name _____

Cell Phone _____ Home _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Class Year _____

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Little Kanawha Valley Christian School News

By Brylee Rowe

LKVCS Honor Roll and Students of the Term

LKVCS was proud to give awards to our students for their excellent work. Everyone has worked hard as the year comes to a close, and we had a lot of awards to give out to show for it! We also gave out awards for Students of the Term, which are given to one student from each class for not only good grades but also good character. God has truly blessed us with amazing kids!



Honor List: Front Row; Alex Bracewell, Alexis Blair, Landon Fitzwater, Holden Gibson, Owen Starcher, Payton Smith.

Second Row; Jackson Snider, Bentley Barr, Henry Barnhart. Last Row; Khloe Cobbet, Samuel Snider, Kylynn Keith, EliKunder, Mikenna Wease, Olivia Fitzwater.

The Calhoun County Farm Bureau recently sponsored the "Agriculture in West Virginia" poster contest again this year in Calhoun County. The contest is held across the state for fourth-grade students. This year posters were entered in the competition from the three elementary schools: Arnoldsburg, Little Kanawha Valley Christian, and Pleasant Hill. The posters were judged on originality, neatness and creativity. The LKVCS winners were: 1st Place: Landon Barr; 2nd Place: Starleena Marks; and 3rd Place: Jackson Snider



1st Place: Landon Barr



2nd Place: Starleena Marks



3rd Place: Jackson Snider

The Calhoun County winner was Mr. Landon Barr. Congratulations to all those who put in their best efforts and to our young man for being named the best of the best. His poster will be on display for the next year at the WV Farm Bureau Center in Bukhannon, WV.

Spring Sports Report

by Robert Bonar

Idle for the last two weeks, the Red Devil track team will be back in action this Friday at Doddridge County High School. The following weekend, the team will participate in a two-day meet at Charleston's Laidley Field.

VARSITY TRACK SCHEDULE
 4/19 Doddridge County Away
 4/26 Laidley Field (Charleston) Away
 5/8 Region IV Championship Away

VARSITY BASEBALL SCHEDULE
 Record (3-8)

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
 3/28 Clay County 5-13 L Away
 4/8 Ritchie County 6-5 W Home
 4/9 Doddridge County 1-11 L Away
 4/13 Saint Marys 1-21 L Home
 4/13 Saint Marys 4-7 L 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 Girls SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Record (1-8)
 3/19 South Harrison 1-15 L Home
 3/20 Roane County 0-8 L Away
 3/21 Braxton County 11-14 L Home
 3/25 Wirt County 14-3 W Home
 3/27 Ritchie County 0-11 L Away
 3/28 Clay County 0-16 L Away
 4/9 Doddridge County 5-13 L Away
 4/9 Doddridge County 0-13 L Away
 4/10 Roane County 1-15 L Home
 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

Donkey Basketball Festival

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 the 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.

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 Tag-in - 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.



Top of the Class: Front Row; Abigail Ayers, Caroline Walker, Owen Starcher. Second Row; Ashlynn Ritchie, Brody Rowe, Kathrynre Carper. Absent: Brylee Rowe.



Students of the Term: Front Row; Alex Bracewell, Brooklyn Stewart, Holden Gibson. Second Row; Eil Kinder, Kylynn Keith, Kathrynre Carper.



Merit Award: Vada Barnhart and Absent: Roman Wilson

Congratulations to all students of LKVCS



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