

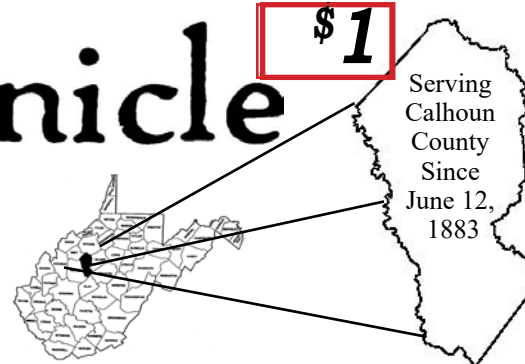


# The Calhoun Chronicle



## and The Grantsville News

“Good Government, Pure Homes and Godly Hearts”



Whole Number 7058 Grantsville, West Virginia 26147 Thursday, June 13, 2024

### Wood Festival had a good run



The sound of children laughing filled the air. A pleasant sound. It was intermixed with the sounds of people talking, music playing, the engines of rides whirring, cars going past and the smells of food on to cook. It was a busy time in Grantsville. As the week went on we had concerts, parades, bingo, contests, people honored and memories. Lots of memories. We honored two people with the Charlie Whipkey Wood Festival Spirit Award. One was Linda Craddock Reed Edwards, and the other was Robert Bonar Sr. Both have been fixtures and the Wood Festival but unfortunately Bonar was unable to attend the awards ceremony. Another Wood Festival stalwart was honored Friday night when the late Michael “Sully” Sullivan was honored. Michael was the son of Jim and the late Colleen Sullivan and brother of Susan Sullivan Gifford. Michael passed away unexpectedly July 29th, 2023, at the age of 35. Jim and Michael made the Wood Festival

a family affair by donating their time to the Wood Festival Committee and community through countless hours of preparation and commitment to the local event. But that kind of devotion is a big part of why the Wood Festival has survived the 62 years that it has. This year musical entertainment was provided by the Johnny Staats Project, Matt Van Fossen, Fleetwood Macked, Keith Poling, Frosty Mountain and the Davisson Brothers. Food and entertainment vendors including Barb’s Jewelry Box, Among the Flowers, Wild Child Herbs, Pawstn’s and Pretties, Grizzly Goods, MST’s Lotions and Potions, Tayco Misc., Peace and Love Merchandise, Diva’s Photography, Brooksville Baptist Church, Ridgeview News, Civil Air Patrol, Sister’s BBQ, C&S Concessions, C-N-C Concessions. Granny Mae’s Food Trailer, CMHS Band Boosters (with the world-famous Calhoun Band Boosters hotdogs) and Scott Coon Soft Drinks and Water. Then there was the grand parade held Saturday which included: Calhoun police ambulance and rescue vehicles, Minnie Hamilton (Jason Wilson), Parade Marshal Dave

and Jill Trippett, Veterans, Calhoun Belle Melva Stull, Calhoun Marching Band, Madelyn McGuire, Everly Jade Mace, Molasses Festival Royalty, 2024 Yuletide in the Park, Audrey Johnson/Poppy Starks, Eric Lupardus, Saige Falls, Maison Wilson, Sawyer Justice, Jacob McCumbers, Major League Baseball Devils, Dirt Devils 10u Softball Team, T-ball Monkeys, Minor League Baseball Lil’ Bananas, EM5 Baseball Team, Roger Propst, Lion’s Club, Tyler County Search and Rescue, Marshall Wilson 4 Governor, Tim Holbert/Greg Dawson and Ellie Holbert, Michael Hicks, Calhoun Library, Jen’s Thrift Store and More, Jason Nettles, Arnoldsburg Restaurant, Shannon Johnson, Wood Festival Royalty, Mike Orison, Richard Lupardus, Travis Yoak, Ari White, Faith Filled Donuts, Will’s Towing, Ohio Valley Jeep Club and Whistle McIntyre.



Linda Craddock Reed Edwards

The Wood Festival was sponsored by several businesses and organizations and included the following:  
**MAJOR SPONSORS**  
 Minnie Hamilton Health Systems, Calhoun Banks, The 1982 Foundation, Metcon and the West Virginia Division of Culture and History.  
**GOLD SPONSORS**  
 Grantsville Foodland, WACO Foods, Tim Moore- State Farm insurance, Grantsville Lion’s Club, Stump Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Tudors and Gino’s, Houchin’s Construction, Hildreth’s Oilfield Supply and Hardman’s Supply.  
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 Shannon Johnson for Prosecuting Attorney, Bakers Mark, Overton Consulting LLC, J & B Drug Store and Baker Mart.  
**FRIENDS OF THE WOOD FESTIVAL**  
 Calhoun County Commission, CHS/MS Track Team, Woodchuck Contestants, Pleasant Hill Elementary and Arnoldsburg Elementary.  
 The streets of Grantsville are empty now and save for some traffic cones and signs setting along the street nobody would know that a few short hours ago the town was alive and buzzing harking back to the days it was a bustling village. Now the town is a sleepy village again but there for a short time it had the echoes of yesterday.



Michael Sullivan



Susan Gifford and Jim Sullivan

### Melva Stull named Calhoun Belle

Melva Stull of Grantsville has been chosen to represent Calhoun County as a Belle at Folk Festival in Glenville June 21-23. The Belles are an honored guest in many events, exhibiting the Spirit of a Pioneer woman chosen because they are community-minded, charitable and, a leader. These “Goodwill Ambassadors” are a unique feature of the Folk Festival. She has volunteered for several organizations and was Queen of Red Hat Society, Band Boosters Vice President, Pleasant Hill Homemakers, FRN, Hospital gift shop, taught Sunday school for many years, Awana leader, VBS and nursery worker, member of 1982 foundation, Bootstrap program, a big supporter of new pool and Lamp project and as a participant in Republican Executive Committee. She is a member of Victory Baptist Church and is affiliated with Marietta Bible College where they support several Missionaries in the Philippines. She is a 1969 graduate of Calhoun High School and a 1985 graduate of Calhoun-Gilmer Technical.



Melva Stull

### County looks over money requests, spending

The Calhoun County Commission met on Monday, June 10th, at 9 a.m. with all three Commissioners present. Delegations on the agenda began with Maddison Harris of the Mid-Ohio Valley Regional Council. (MOVRC) Harris reported that the Calhoun County Park project was finally ready to go to bid once approved by the Commission to do so. Also discussed by Harris was a request for a FEMA reimbursement in the amount of \$5,940.00 for legal work by Palmer and Titus on the deed and closing cost for a flood mitigation project. County Clerk Jean Simers asked about the demolition of county properties and the funding to accomplish that. She was told there was still money to continue that project. Next on the agenda to speak was Charles Thomas, but before he spoke, Propst wanted to clarify that the decision to pass a funding request made by Thomas on February 12th, 2024, was outside of the proper procedure of filing the new request forms for funding. A matter that had been rectified by the Upper West Fork Park with the forms being submitted. Thomas then made request for funding, with the proper form in hand, for a new shelter at the Arnoldsburg Community Park. The 60x100 foot shelter will extend over the concrete area behind the building. The structure will provide weather protection for festival and other events with a future stage area constructed as well. The Molasses Festival currently has Tyler Tritt scheduled to sing (Travis Tritt’s daughter) as well as Johnny Staats for the 2024 Molasses festival event. The cost of the structure will be \$60,000 with an additional \$11,000 necessary to upgrade the electric. Helmick said the county has more money in the treasury than ever before and he believed the upgrades to the parks was a good investment. He further stated that the County has \$600,000 in the rainy-day fund, made possible by the compressor station fund that now come in. Shari Johnson, Publisher of the Ridgeview News addressed the Commission about a letter she had written to each Commissioner regarding an alleged denial of mutual aid from the Arnoldsburg Fire Department for Minnie Hamilton Health System. It was reported that Minnie Hamilton had received a letter signed by Joe Tanner that

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## OBITUARY



Roberta Mac (Offutt) Wilson, 83, of Big Springs, WV, passed away on May 13, 2024. She was born November 10, 1940 to the late Robert and Orda Offutt of Mt. Zion, WV. She is survived by two daughters, Debra Goff and husband Frank of Big Springs and Bea Isner and husband Mark of Ripley, WV. She was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, Billy Wilson. She will be remembered by her grandchildren Kelly Goff

(Solomon Hutchinson), Joe Goff (Caysee), Jeff Isner (Jessica), and Corey Isner. And also by special great nephew Eric Ritchie (Katie). Great grandchildren are: Gia, Billi, Acer and Eve Goff; Ava, Cohen and Cason Isner; Emeline and Penelope Hutchinson. Roberta is survived by sister Tootsie Thompson and brother David Offutt. Other siblings preceding her in death are Carroll Offutt, Charles Offutt, Charlene Amick, Darrell Offutt, Jean Harrold, and

Garrett Jarvis. Roberta graduated from Calhoun County High School on May 15, 1958, and married her husband Billy the same evening. She was a 50+ year member of Prosperity Baptist Church and worked for many years at Calhoun General Hospital and Minnie Hamilton Health Care System. Retirement saw her tending her flowers, mowing her yard, volunteering at the food pantry, and traveling with her daughters and grandchildren. A funeral service will be held at Stump Funeral Home & Cremation in Grantsville, WV, on Saturday, May 18, 2024, at 1:00 pm, with Rev. Ken Heiney officiating. Visitation will be held Friday, May 17, 2024 from 6:00-8:00 pm and one hour prior to services on Saturday. Interment will be at Saunders Cemetery, Big Springs, WV. If you would like to honor Roberta's memory, the family asks that donations be made to: First Baptist Calhoun County Food Pantry, PO Box 237, Grantsville, WV 26147, or to the church or charity of your choice. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.stumpfuneralhomes.com](http://www.stumpfuneralhomes.com)

## Overcoming my fears

By Gaylen Duskey

As you may have heard I have been named Editor of the Calhoun Chronicle. Wow.

I am honored. I am challenged. I am scared to death.

Why I am I scared?

Because I am afraid the job I do won't be good enough.

Why?

Because I have been retired for a few years and my only journalism work has been writing a few columns and covering some Calhoun athletic events.

That's hardly editorship and that makes it scary.

Once upon a time I was an innovator and something of a pioneer in the news business because I had no fear of failure because, frankly I knew my plans and ideas would work. And darned near all the time they did and if they didn't, I didn't mind because what I was doing was in front of strangers.

Now it is in front of friends and family and that's a whole different story because I want so bad to make everybody happy.

And that's scary.

So please forgive me if I falter or fail but I don't plan to do either.

What are some of the tenets I believe and plan to bring to The Chronicle?

These are some of them:

All our coverage will be fair and non-biased. We will strive to see there will be no opinion or bias in any of our news stories.

We will try to get all the local news in print. That means we want your meetings, reports, announcements etc. It may not be news in New York or Charleston,

but it is news in Calhoun County.

The only people who can and will speak for the newspaper is the top management at Mountain Media, Inc., and me. Any other opinion will be printed as a letter to the editor or an Op-Ed and only the opinion of the writer.

We want to be inclusive so if you have an idea about what we should cover or a story you should write let us know. If we can we just may give it a try.

Oh, yes, we love sports so if it bounces, rolls, or gets hit with a stick we want to tell the story. In a one high school county like Calhoun, we consider those athletic teams as galvanizing items and will treat them as such.

Those are at least some of the things we believe and want to do and with any luck we will be able to accomplish them.

One question I have been asked was since I am a conservative Republican, and the newspaper is a democratic publication how will that work out?

Simple. I am a professional journalist and know for the newspaper to be successful and trusted it must be fair and non-biased in all its coverage and that is a promise I shall make. I will try to ensure that every story will be politically neutral and ask you to hold my feet to the fire on this and if I fail let me know.

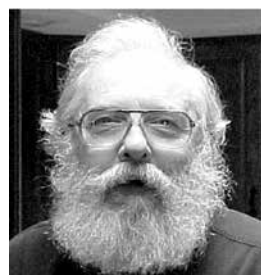
On the other hand, my columns will be my opinion and written as such.

I want to bring you a Chronicle that will evoke memories of days gone by with coverage of things like community news, chicken dinners, anniversaries, youth sports and all the things that brings families and communities together.

With your help and God's grace I think we can do that.

## CRESTON NEWS

BY ALVIN ENGELKE  
PHONE 275-3578



A number of local folks took in the Wood Festival in Grantsville. Charles Russell who is in the Minnie Hamilton Extended Care unit was in the parade.

A lot more first cutting hay has been laid down.

Butterfly weed, milk weed, black eyed susans and Chinese chestnuts are in bloom. Viceroy butterflies have been visiting the milk weed flowers. Denise Bunner's tiger lilies are now in their glory.

The bucks are now in the velvet. Late-ly deer & squirrels have been "thick" on and along the roads. It seems that there are now more of the invasive black buzzards. Dead Eye Dick & Sure Shot Jones must have gone off somewheres and left no one to "attend to business".

The river fest is scheduled for June 15 in Elizabeth.

The US 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit ruled that the COVID 19 m-RNA shots did not meet the definition of vaccines which means that those who were injured and the estates of those who died because of the shots can sue. Dr. Fauci [who last practiced medicine in 1963] and his government buddies received \$ hundreds of millions in royalties and many doctors were «financially rewarded» for pushing the shots. Of course Bill Gates & his friends have made it clear that there are too many people and this was a good way to "thin the herd".

A Pfizer spokesperson noted that, contrary to previous statements (lies), there were never any tests to see if the so called medication worked.

D-day was 80 and the ceremony was extremely moving. Creston's Earl Wix was among those who participated in the invasion.

Cambridge University showed that the "carbon credit" program was a scam and Shell, Nestle & Gucci pulled out of the program. However, it is still being promoted as almost \$1 trillion has changed hands. These "honest reputable" fellows come around and have you sign papers about not never, ever cutting your timber. "It is to save the environment, dontcha know?"

The bull frog who had been living in the culvert at the Engelke residence apparently relocated to where more bull frogs could be found.

Jerry Bunner got a bad report on his thyroid and he is scheduled for surgery July 16.

Barb Wright & Kathleen Cervone have been doing a big painting job in Ripley.

The comely Kim was visiting Wilma Mowrey.

Israel recovered four hostages held by the Hamas terrorists but "our" government is not happy about how the

rescue happened. The Big Eared One had "our" government build a \$300 million pier to give aid & succor to Gaza and the aid was all "stolen" by Hamas. Then a big wind came and destroyed the pier, sunk part of it blew part to Israel, etc. Some said that it was to be used to bring Hamas terrorists to the USA. Today's Sunday School lesson was about the prophet Deborah seeing to the defeat of the Canaanites. "And the Lord discomfited Sisera (the general), and all his chariots, and all his host . . . . But Barak [the Hebrew leader] pursued after the chariots . . . . And all the host of Sisera fell upon the edge of the sword: and there was not a man left". Sisera had 900 iron chariots [the top of the line battle equipment at the time] but they were down in the river bottom and there was a cloudburst and some were washed away and others got stuck in the mud. As many may remember Sisera hit in a tent & Jael, the owner, drove a tent peg through his temple while he slept. It would not seem wise to work to destroy Israel.

Speaking of wars and such NATO has said that we should all invade Russia and the US needs to send troops. A Ukraine group associated with the US State Department made up an enemies list that includes Senators J. D. Vance, Rand Paul, President Trump and Breitbart News. The Bidens, perhaps the Romneys and other "leaders" have prospered in Ukraine. Who cares how many have to die so that they can get richer?

Thanks to Broadway Joe Manchin we now have the Inflation Reduction Act which really is the Green New Deal. The new rules by the EPA are designed to shut down all remaining coal power plants and make sure that no new natural gas power plants are built. Those who are acquainted with such matters have made it clear that, when implemented, there will have to be a rationing of electricity during both hot and cold snaps.

Cunningham Energy LLC has applied to the DEP for a permit to modify & operate a Natural Gas & Oil/Condensate Production Facility near Bomont in Clay County. Public comments will be accepted until July 8 by contacting Roy F. Kees at the DEP.

The price of local Pennsylvania grade crude slipped to \$74.53/bbl. With condensate, formerly called Appalachian light sweet, fetching just \$56.53/bbl. While Marcellus & Utica light brought \$63.53/bbl. The Henry Hub price of natural gas was \$2.92/MMBTU. Of course local prices are much, much lower.

In the world of natural gas, exports to Mexico increased while usage for industrial users declined, and 13 bcf [billion cubic feet]/day left as LNG. 26 vessels left during the week May 23 to May 29, 8 from Sabine Pass, 6 from Freeport, 4 from Corpus Christi, 3 each from Calcasieu Pass & Cameron and 2 from Cove Point. It is predicted that, come summer, 44.7 bcf/day of natural gas will be used to generate electricity.

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when the Ambulance was dispatched and in need of Fire Department Assistance in the Arnoldsburg area, they would not provide it.

Mrs. Johnson questioned why a county levy funded agency was permitted to deny anyone mutual aid or assistance in the County and requested that the commission look into the matter.

Crystal Mersh updated the commission about the continued progress that had been made toward bringing the American Medicine Company into Calhoun County to provide 500 jobs. The AMC Executive team will be traveling to Calhoun to tour the Armory located in the Annamoriah area. While here they'll be staying at the Stonewall Jackson Resort with transportation provided by Glenville State University for the community tour. Crystal expressed her happiness that the county has money to support, sheriff, fire, etc. which will appeal to the Executive Committee. The 1982 Foundation is currently working with Dakota Laughlin on the production of a promotional video that will provide information about the

county parks, Avalon and other promotional footage that can be used for other projects. She recommended to the commission that a county website be established to draw tourism and business to the community. "The more money that we bring here, the more that is spent here," she said. The team of about 10 people will be in town in mid-July.

Propst who is serving on the Committee to pitch Calhoun for the AMC site, has been in contact with the Sayer family who currently owns acreage of interest to AMC around the Amory. There is 50 acres under consideration for sale and expansion of the pharmaceutical company and the Sayers are keenly interested in helping the economics of the County.

Commissioner Arthur who also serves on the committee to bring AMC to Calhoun said that this is a great opportunity to bring our people back home that work away, "God knows the outcome" he said. But I will try every way possible to get these jobs for Calhoun County. We have a chance for a resurgence again.

## Arnoldsburg Elementary Honor Roll

Principal's honor roll – All As  
Kindergarten –Morgan Arnold, Natalia Bremer, Mila Cottrell, Ethan Fitzwater, Alaina McClain, Perry Nichols, River Parsons, Hadley Propst, Paisley Sauer  
First grade - Kimber Batton, Emersyn Butler, Jayce Daniels, Sadie Goodrich, Emma Hardway, Talia Mayle, Gavin Parsons, Waylon Poore, Kendall Richards, Carlisle Wilson  
Second grade – Gracelynn Baker, Kin-sley Burch, Isaac Fitzwater, Thorin Gungle, Ronan Haney, Jacsen Harris, Paislie Jarvis, Dexter Murphy, Kyson Sampson, Kamryn Stewart, Axton White  
Third grade – Sophia Goodrich  
Fourth grade – Jaselyn Adams, Daisy Gibson, Kenlie Jarvis, Jace Morgan, Lyla Nottingham, Mason Sampson  
A and B Honor roll

Kindergarten – Selena Allen, Lincoln Hartshorn, Emma Holbert, Clayton McCullough  
First grade – Lydia Burch, Kayleb Butler, Braxton Carter, Brantley Davis, Grayden Detweiler, Kenna Hall, Kayleb Harris, Grayson Jones, Savannah Leavitt, Zander McCumbers, Cayden Meeker, Abby Morgan, Skyler Nicholas, Chase Parsons  
Second grade – Natalie Craddock, Lydia Hill, Briana Nicholas, Bryson Swisher  
Third grade – Colton Jarvis, Quintin Parkin, Kinsley Parsons, Brysten Sampson  
Fourth grade – Arabella Craddock, Gabriel Cunningham, Embree Gungle, Elana Harris, Rylee Harris, Judd Helmick, Charles Kilby, Audrey McCumbers, Colton McCumbers, Eden Sampson

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

1) Opinion Editorials (Op-Eds) and Letters to the Editor may contain constructive criticisms, thoughts, and observations based on reliable information. Each submission is reviewed and accepted on an individual basis.

2) Discourse should be generally respectful, without profanity, rooted in fact, professionally presented (satire is acceptable), and written by the person submitting. All submissions are subject to revision concerning writing mechanics, space available, and accuracy.

3) Editorial staff reserves the right to contact others concerning the subject matter to balance the presentation of the issue and/or concern.

3) Phone numbers must be included to facilitate editorial questions and fact-checking processes.

Editorials, letters to the editor, press releases, meeting notices, and announcements can be sent to [contact@calhouchronicle.com](mailto:contact@calhouchronicle.com).



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## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Calhoun Civil Air Patrol Squadron** holds weekly meetings on Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at 413 High Street Grantsville, WV.

**The First Baptist Calhoun Food Pantry** on Route 5 E outside of Grantsville is a non-profit food pantry open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Community Resources Incorporated (CRI) Food Pantry:** Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m.- 4 p.m., with free USDA commodities to those who qualify (food pantry only) on Court Street.

**Upper West Fork Park** meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.

**Calhoun County Park**, a Night Sky Park, is always open - except for a special occasion or event that requires closing of the gate. The park board meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. in the park's "barn."

**Calhoun County Historical Society** meets at the Family History Center Museum (former Quality Shop) on Main Street on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

**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. Online 24 hours at <https://calhouncountylibrary.org/>.

**The Cabot Recycling Station** buyback program is held on Tuesdays, Thursdays from 8:00-4:00, Saturdays from 8:00-12:00 west of Grantsville on Rt. 5. Tire collection is held the third Friday of each month, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Car, ATV, and light truck tires, 16 inches or less accepted, with a limit of 10 tires per person free of charge. Tires on wheels not accepted. Calhoun resident tires only.

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

**Minnora Methodist Mission Thrift Shop** is open Mon & Wed 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Fri 10 - 1, providing affordable clothing and household items.

**The Welfare of Animals Group (WAG)** can assist low-income Calhoun County homes with 50% of their cat or dog spay/neuter fee. For information call 354-7042. Donations of dry cat food can be dropped off at Calhoun County Library, Grantsville.

The **Grantsville Pickleball Club** plays on Tuesday and Thursday nights in the Town Park at 7:00 p.m., weather permitting.

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

Mark your calendars for **Heartwood in the Hills Homecoming** on September 21, 2024 honoring 42 years of Celebrating the Artist in Every Person.

**Lion's Club Bingo** is held in the Lion's Club Building, 103 Stump St., Grantsville, on the first and third Saturdays of each month at 6 p.m.

**Little Kanawha Calhoun Bus Schedule:** Monday through Friday - Service within Grantsville city limits. Monday - Service to/from Annamoriah and Creston along Route 5 East/West. Tuesday - Service to/from Millstone, Arnoldsburg, Westfork, and locations south. Wednesday - Central county service to/from Mt. Zion, Russett, and Stumptown. Thursday - Roundtrip service along Route 16 North including Pleasant Hill, Nobe, Broomstick, and Big Springs. Roundtrip service from Grantsville to Parkersburg. Service between counties is available Monday-Friday to/from Grantsville. Call Toll-Free: 866-354-5522.

### County Farmer's Markets

**Calhoun County Farmer's Market**, Upper West Fork Park, Chloe. Wednesdays 9 a.m.-1 p.m.,

**Arnoldsburg Farmer's Market**, West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg. Fridays 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

**Berea Gardens Drive Thru Farmer's Market**, Beria Gardens, Minnora. Wednesdays 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

**Grantsville Farmer's Market**, Season details not yet available.

To add your community service information to this listing email [contact@calhouncronicle.com](mailto:contact@calhouncronicle.com).



# The West Virginia Encyclopedia

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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](http://www.wvencyclopedia.org).

**June 13, 1861:** The Second Wheeling Convention began in the federal courtroom of the Wheeling Custom House. This convention declared the Confederate state government in Richmond illegal; created a Reorganized Government of Virginia loyal to the United States; elected Francis Pierpont governor of Virginia; and called for the western counties to be formed into a new state.

**June 13, 1928:** Mathematician John Forbes Nash Jr. was born in Bluefield. In 1994, Nash was honored with the Nobel Prize in Economics. He was the subject of a best-selling biography, *A Beautiful Mind*, which was later made into a movie.



**June 14, 1912:** Botanist Elizabeth Ann "Betty" Bartholomew was born in Wheeling. Bartholomew was instrumental in building the dried plant collection at West Virginia University from 30,000 to 140,000 specimens, and she initiated a 2,000-plant seed collection.

**June 15, 1876:** Attorney and civil right activist T. G. Nutter was born in Maryland. The first Black

delegate from Kanawha County, he helped establish Lakin State Hospital and other institutions for Blacks, and crafted an anti-lynching law.



**June 15, 1880:** Musician "Blind Alfred" Reed was born in Floyd County, Virginia, though he spent most of his life in West Virginia. He composed and recorded some of the most creative topical country songs on Victor Records between 1927 and 1929.



**June 15, 1963:** The Cass Scenic Railroad took its first passenger trip during the state's Centennial celebration.

**June 16, 1842:** Margaret Agnew Blennerhassett, wife of Harman Blennerhassett, died in poverty in New York City. She lived from 1800 to 1806 in a grand 16-room mansion she and her husband had constructed on an Ohio River island near present Parkersburg. She and her son, Harman Jr. were reburied on Blennerhassett Island in 1996.



**June 16, 1964:** The Grafton Monster allegedly was first spotted by journalist Robert Cockrell (1946-2022) beside Route 119 near Grafton. His write-up of the event sparked such a tourism frenzy that the local newspaper blamed it on "spring fever" and requested visitors to go home. No sightings have been confirmed since.

**June 17, 1813:** General Thomas Maley Harris was born at present Harrisville. He rose to prominence after the Civil War, when he served on the military commission that tried conspirators who acted with John Wilkes Booth to assassinate President Abraham Lincoln.

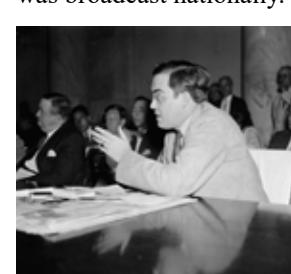
**June 17, 1916:** The West Virginia High School Athletic Association was organized at Charleston with 11 charter members. Its name was changed to the West Virginia Secondary School Activities Commission in 1955.

**June 17, 1961:** A Wayne County bridge was named in honor of TV newsman David Brinkley. The bridge's condition had become a news item during the 1960 presidential primary; state officials closed the bridge, repaired it, and invited Brinkley to return for the ceremony officially naming it the "Brinkley Bridge."



**June 18, 1937:** Jay Rockefeller was born in New York City. He served as West Virginia's 29th governor from 1977 to 1985 and in the U.S. Senate from 1985 to 2015.

**June 18, 1944:** It's Wheeling Steel aired its last program. A half-hour musical variety radio program that drew upon talented Wheeling Steel employees and families, the show ran eight years and was broadcast nationally.



**June 19, 1905:** Senator Rush Dew Holt was born in Weston. At 29, Holt was the youngest person ever elected to the U.S. Senate, earning him the nickname "Boy Senator." Since the Constitution sets 30 as the minimum age for senators, Holt had to wait until his birthday in June 1935 to take his seat, nearly six months into the 74th Congress.

**June 19, 1909:** Oak Park, an amusement park in Preston County, opened. The park was an easy ride from Morgan-

## Calhoun County High School Alumni Reunion

The Calhoun County High School Alumni Reunion will be held on Saturday, July 6th at Calhoun Middle High School, Mount Zion. Registration will be from 9:00-11:15 am. Our program will be from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm, followed by lunch. In the afternoon, mini-reunions can be held.

Honor classes this year will be 1954, 70th year; 1964, 60th year; 1974, 50th year; 1984, 40th year. The associ-

ation needs speakers from these classes for the program.

The registration fee will be \$25 per person. We will need your reservation by June 1st to prepare the meals for the day. For those making reservations after June 1st, the cost will be \$30. Reservations help us arrange seating by class for lunch.

Alumni dues are \$5.00 annually. This is used for postage and our Alumni Scholarship.

## Creston Community ATV Summer Poker Run

The Creston Community Building's Summer ATV Poker Run is scheduled for Saturday, June 29th. Creston is 13 miles from Elizabeth and 14 miles from Grantsville on WV Route 5. Signs will be posted to direct you. The community building address is 340 Anns Run Road, Creston, WV 26141.

Registration is 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. NO 2-wheelers. NO backpacks in the building.

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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## WAG trapping scheduled

On Thursday, June 20, 2024, the Welfare of Animals Group (WAG) will be humanely trapping feral cats in the Grantsville area, and on Thursday, June 27 in Orma and Big Springs to have them spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and ear tipped (the universal sign that a cat has been part of a Trap-Neuter-Return program). We would appreciate if you would not put food out for them on Wednesday, June 19 in Grantsville or on Wednesday, June 26 in Orma and Big Springs as we will be trapping on Thursday morning. Once the cats have recovered from anesthesia (at least 24 to 48 hours) we will return them to their exact location. They will be healthier, happier, and not reproducing and fighting. Thank you for your cooperation. So far we have spayed and neutered 888 community cats (485 females and 403 males).

Please keep your personal cats indoors or put a collar on them on Wednesday the 19th in Grantsville or Wednesday the 26th in Orma and Big Springs. If you have any questions, please call Linda at 304-354-7506.

If you are aware of a feral cat colony in your area, please let us know. Female kittens can begin breeding at four months old, so the best time to spay/neuter a colony is when there are only 5 or 6 cats. Trap-Neuter-Return is provided to Calhoun County residents at no cost to the caretaker.

Partial funding for Trap-Neuter-Return is provided by The Oakland Foundation, The Bernard McDonough Foundation, the West Virginia Department of Agriculture, and the Calhoun County Commission.

## Bryn Carter Named Dean's List at Marietta College

Marietta College's Bryn Carter of Grantsville, West Virginia, has been named to the Spring 2024 Dean's List.

Carter is majoring in Music Therapy and is a graduate of Little Kanawha Valley Christian School.

Any full-time Marietta College student completing at least 15 credit hours with a grade point average between 3.5 and 3.74 in a given semester is recognized as a Dean's List student.

Located in Marietta, Ohio, at the confluence of the Muskingum and Ohio rivers, Marietta College is a four-year liberal arts college. Tracing

its roots to the Muskingum Academy back in 1797, the College was officially chartered in 1835. Today Marietta College serves a body of 1,200 full-time students. The College offers more than 50 majors and is consistently ranked as one of the top regional comprehensive colleges by *U.S. News & World Report* and *The Princeton Review*, as well as one of the nation's best by Forbes.com. Marietta was selected seventh in the nation according to the Brookings Institution's rankings of colleges by their highest value added, regardless of major.

## Juneteenth a holiday

Juneteenth, which is recognized on June 19 each year, celebrates the ending of slavery in the United States.

The Juneteenth State holiday this year will be observed on Wednesday, June 19, 2023, as a full-day holiday for all public employees of the State.

Gov. Justice also reminds West Virginians that the Herbert

Henderson Office of Minority Affairs is hosting a Juneteenth Celebration on the Kanawha Boulevard lawns of the West Virginia Capitol Complex on Saturday, June 15, from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Raheem DeV Vaughn and Glenn Jones will headline performers for the 2024 Juneteenth Celebration.

## Making Hay while the sun shines



Denny Fox

*Courtesy of Ridgeview News*

Farming in Calhoun County and Central West Virginia is done primarily by bi-vocational farming families that try to fit farming into the hours following their day jobs and on weekends.

Those hours are often interrupted by rain showers and other obligations, but the commitment to farming is not for the faint of heart. It takes dedication and sacrifice.

According to Farmflavor.com which list farming statistics for each State, Farms in the State of West Virginia are 95 percent family owned, the highest number in the United States. Around 23,000 farms averaging 157 acres in size call West Virginia home. The Mountain State is also the third most-forested state with 12 million acres of forestland.

West Virginia's top agricultural commodity is broiler

production, which makes up more than 30 percent of its agricultural receipts. Beef cattle and calves account for over 20 percent. Other important livestock products include dairy, turkeys and chicken eggs.

As for crops, hay is No. 1 in the state. Additional crops include apples, corn for grain, soybeans and tobacco. Many farmers also produce sheep and lambs, hogs, peaches, honey, farm-raised fish and wool.

The current price of a square bail of hay is \$3.00-\$6.00 per bail depending upon location and type of hay. The large round bails, also dependent upon hay type and bail size, can run from \$25.00 to \$ 95.00 per bail.

Whether or not it's for feeding livestock of their own, or selling to others, there is certainly a market for the commodity of hay. I'm praying on this rainy Wednesday morning that the hay is up and in the barns with the next cutting on the horizon of a sunny day.

## Ginny Hawker Presented with 2024 Vandalia Award

Ginny Hawker, of Elkins, received the 2024 Vandalia Award at the Vandalia Gathering Friday evening concert on May 24, 2024. West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture and History Cabinet Secretary Randall Reid-Smith presented the award.

The Vandalia Award, West Virginia's highest folklife honor, is presented each year during the annual Vandalia Gathering. The individuals who receive this award embody the spirit of our state's folk heritage and are recognized for their lifetime contribution to West Virginia and its traditional culture.

Ginny has been a resident of West Virginia for over 30 years, residing in Gilmer County for many years, before making the move to Randolph County where she and her husband now reside. She is a talented vocalist that was brought up in the Primitive Baptist Church, mastering their unique unaccompanied vocal styling. She came to West Virginia searching out what remained of the Traditional music culture and has been here ever since. She has taught workshops and singing classes both in her home and around the state, nation, and globe, ensuring the tradition continues. The Vandalia Gathering is proud to call her one of its own, and even prouder to be able to present her with the state's highest folklife honor.

## WVDNR release turkey kill numbers

According to preliminary data released by the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, hunters harvested 11,650 bearded turkeys during the spring gobbler season.

"West Virginia is a great place to go turkey hunting and these harvest numbers are not only an indication of a strong turkey population but a testament to the hard work of hunters," said WVDNR Director Brett McMillion. "The WVDNR remains committed to maintaining sustainable wildlife management practices to ensure the long-term health and abundance of turkeys in our state."

While hunters harvested fewer birds compared to last year's total of 12,217, the 2024 harvest was above long-term indicators and came in 6 percent higher than the five-year and 10-year average of 10,937 and 10,913, respectively.

Hunters in District 1 harvested more birds during the 2024 season compared to last year, while the harvest in Districts 4 and 6 was similar to last year. The harvest in Districts 2, 3 and 5 decreased slightly from last year. Hunters in District 1 harvested the most birds (2,748), followed by those in District 6 (2,208), District 5 (1,897), District 4 (1,864), District 3 (1,585) and District 2 (1,348). The top five counties in terms of turkey harvests were Mason (501), Preston (441), Jackson (400), Marshall (337) and Harrison (336) counties.

During the 2024 season, youth hunters harvested 601 turkeys (353 on Saturday and 248 on Sunday). This was the fifth year of the youth season being two days. The youth harvest made up approximately 5 percent of the total harvest.



Cole Vinyard

# Capito Announces Congressionally Directed Spending Awards for Economic Development Projects

U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, announced three funding awards from the U.S. Department of Commerce’s Small Business Administration (SBA) for the Greenbrier Valley County Economic Development Corporation (GVEDC), the Wellsburg Urban Renewal Authority, and BridgeValley Community and Technical College.

These awards, which were secured through Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) requests made by Senator Capito in Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24), will help support business incubation, economic revitalization efforts, and education programs.

“I was proud to use my position on the Appropriations Committee to advocate for and secure these awards that will help build on the activities and growth we are seeing at BridgeValley, in Wellsburg, and in Greenbrier County,” Senator Capito said. “Equipping our educators with better tools and resources has the potential to produce better workers and small business owners with a clear path to reach their full potential. I was also proud to deliver funding that will help West Virginia small businesses overcome barriers to entry to give them the opportunity to build and grow here in our state, especially in the northern panhandle and the growing area around the New River Gorge National Park and Preserve.”

## Individual awards:

**\$819,000 SBA CDS award to the Greenbrier Valley County Economic Development Corporation (Maxwellton, W.Va.)** for the Greenbrier EDC Commercialization Center, a 40,000-square-foot space to be used as an incubator space to help provide small businesses, specifically manufacturing companies, with a place to grow. With the organization and its partners’ expertise, on-site training and advising will be offered to complement the space in support of true incubation. GVEDC anticipates serving up to eight businesses within the first year with the goal of retaining existing and creating new jobs. The goal of this incubator is for each business to outgrow the space to continue opening incubator opportunities for new businesses in the area.

**\$750,000 SBA CDS award to the Wellsburg Urban Renewal Authority (Wellsburg, W.Va.)** to incentivize small business enterprises to launch and grow new commercial and retail activities in revitalized downtown structures in Wellsburg. Grant funding will be used for replacement of failing roofs, management of problematic water runoff, stabilization of floors, replacement of failing electric, plumbing, and HVAC systems, as well as ADA and fire code compliance upgrades. This project will rehabilitate three connected buildings totaling 21,000 square feet on Wellsburg Town Square to enable new investment, mixed-use economic development, and

job creation by small businesses. These three adjacent and connected buildings known as the “Bell Buildings” are on the National Register for Historic Places and located in the center of downtown, across from City Hall and also across from the Wellsburg Museum & Cultural Center. Wellsburg plans to reuse these structures for mixed-use retail, commercial, and tourism businesses.

**\$167,000 SBA CDS award to BridgeValley Community and Technical College (South Charleston, W.Va.)** for Stackable Business Credentials at BridgeValley CTC. These include Certificate of Science (CAS) in Entrepreneurship, as well as Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Degrees in Accounting and Bookkeeping, Business Administration, and Healthcare Management. With the addition of two more faculty members, updating the curricula to embed industry certifications at various points throughout the student’s progress, and targeted marketing for recruitment, the Division would have the capacity to produce more employable students, a better-qualified worker, and more graduates with industry credentials. Also, high school students enrolled in Dual Credit courses which are tied into industry credentials would be eligible to take the certification exams. This would make them more employable after and during high school as well as allowing them to earn college credit towards a degree.

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### PLEASANT HILL PSD RT 16 DISTRICT WV3300703

#### Consumer Confidence Report- 2024 Covering Calendar Year- 2023

This brochure is a snapshot of the quality of the water that we provided last year. Included are the details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state standards. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies. If you would like to observe the decision-making process that affect drinking water quality or if you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please attend any regularly scheduled water board meeting held on the 1st day of each month at 4:00 p.m. in the Nobe office or call TAMBREE YOAK at 304-354-7500.

Our drinking water is supplied from another water system through a Consecutive Connection (CC). To find out more about our drinking water sources and additional chemical sampling results, please contact our office at the number provided above. Your water comes from Surface water:

Source Name	Source Water Type
CC FROM 3300701 RT 5 MASTER METER	Surface water
CC FROM WV3300701 GRANTSVILLE METER PIT	Surface water

Buyer Name	Seller Name
WV3300703 - PLEASANT HILL PSD RT 16 DISTRICT	GRANTSVILLE MUNICIPAL

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immune-compromised persons such as those with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPNCDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA’s Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) included rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in sources water before we treat it include:  
**Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, livestock operations and wildlife.  
**Inorganic contaminants**, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.  
**Pesticides and herbicides**, which may come from a variety of sources such as storm water run-off, agriculture, and residential users.  
**Radioactive contaminants**, which can be naturally occurring or the result of mining activity.  
**Organic contaminants**, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and also come from gas stations, urban storm water run-off, and septic systems.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulation which limits the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. We treat our water according to EPA’s regulations. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Our water system has an estimated population of 1619 and is required to test a minimum of 2 samples per month in accordance with the Total Coliform Rule for microbiological contaminants. Coliform bacteria are usually harmless, but their presence in water can be an indication of disease-causing bacteria. When coliform bacteria are found, special follow-up tests are done to determine if harmful bacteria are present in the water supply. If this limit is exceeded, the water supplier must notify the public.

#### Water Quality Data

The following tables list all of the drinking water contaminants which were detected during the 2020 calendar year. The presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate the water poses a health risk. Unless noted, the data presented in this table is from the testing done January 1- December 31, 2020. The state requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old.

#### Terms & Abbreviations

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):** the “Goal” is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to human health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** the “Maximum Allowed” MCL is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level (SMCL):** recommended level for a contaminant that is not regulated and has no MCL

**Action Level (AL):** the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements.

**Treatment Technique (TT):** a required process intended to reduce levels of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):** the highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

**Non-Detects (ND):** lab analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

**Parts per Million (ppm)** or milligrams per liter (mg/l)

**Parts per Billion (ppb)** or micrograms per liter(ug/l)

**Picocuries per Liter (pCi/L):** a measure of the radioactivity in water.

**Millirems per Year (mrem/yr):** measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

**Monitoring Period Average (MPA):** An average of sample results obtained during a defined time frame, common examples of monitoring periods are monthly, quarterly and yearly.

**Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU):** a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person. Turbidity is not regulated for groundwater systems.

**Running Annual Average (RAA):** an average of sample results obtained over the most current 12 months and used to determine compliance with MCLs.

**Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA):** Average of sample analytical results for samples taken at a particular monitoring location during the previous four calendar quarters.

Testing Results for: PLEASANT HILL PSD RT 16 DISTRICT				
Microbiological	Result	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
COLIFORM (TCR)	In the month of July, 1 sample(s) returned as positive	Treatment Technique Trigger	0	Naturally present in the environment

Disinfection By-products	Sample Point	Collection Date	Highest Value	Range (low/high)	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAAS)	SMITHVILLE	2023	30	3-15	ppb	60	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	SPRUCE HOLLOW CREEK	2023	61	25-93	ppb	80	0	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Lead and Copper	Monitoring Period	90th Percentile	Range (low/high)	Unit	AL	Sites Over AL	Typical Source
COPPER, FREE	2023	0.0795	0.0018-0.189	ppm	1.3	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
LEAD	2023	2.4	0.098-6.4	ppb	15	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Your water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

PLEASANT HILL PSD RT 16 DISTRICT is working towards identifying service line materials throughout the water distribution supply. The service line inventory is required to be submitted to the state by October 16, 2024. The most up to date inventory is located at 122 Nobe Rd Big Bend, WV 26136, if you have any questions about our inventory, please contact TAMBREE YOAK at 304-354-7500.

Chlorine/Chloramines	Maximum Disinfection Level	MPA	MPA Units	RAA	RAA Units
4/1/2023 - 4/30/2023		1.30000	MG/L	1.10000	MG/L

During the 2023 calendar year, we had the below noted violation(s) of drinking water regulations.

Compliance Period	Analyte	Comments
1/1/2023 - 6/30/2023	PH	Failed to meet water quality parameter sampling or reporting requirements
1/1/2023 - 6/30/2023	ALKALINITY, TOTAL E. COLI	Failed to meet water quality parameter sampling or reporting requirements
2/1/2023 - 2/28/2023		Failed to collect all routine or replacement coliform samples
3/1/2023 - 3/10/2023	DBP STAGE 1	Chlorinated system not operated by state-approved qualified operator
3/1/2023 - 3/31/2023	CHLORINE	
4/1/2023 - 6/30/2023	TTHM	Failed to monitor/report as required for chlorine or disinfection by-products
4/1/2023 - 4/30/2023	CHLORINE	
5/1/2023 - 5/31/2023	CHLORINE	
6/1/2023 - 6/30/2023	CHLORINE	
7/1/2023 - 12/31/2023	PH	Failed to meet water quality parameter sampling or reporting requirements
7/1/2023 - 7/31/2023	CHLORINE	
7/1/2023 - 7/31/2023	CHLORINE	Failed to monitor/report as required for chlorine or disinfection by-products
7/1/2023 - 7/31/2023	CHLORINE	Failed to collect and/or report required surface water treatment monitoring
7/1/2023 - 12/31/2023	ALKALINITY, TOTAL CHLORINE	Failed to meet water quality parameter sampling or reporting requirements
8/1/2023 - 8/31/2023	CHLORINE	

#### Additional Required Health Effects Language:

Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.

Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver kidneys or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

#### There are no additional required health effects violation notices.

Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present, or that a potential pathway exists through which contamination may enter the drinking water distribution system. We found coliforms, indicating the need to look for potential problems in water treatment or distribution. When this occurs, we are required to conduct assessment(s) to identify and correct any problems that were found during these assessments.

Some or all of our drinking water is supplied from another water system. The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants, which were detected during the 2023 calendar year from the water systems that we purchase drinking water from.

Disinfection Byproducts	Monitoring Period	Water System	Highest RAA	Range	Unit	MCL	MCLG	Typical Source
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)	2023	GRANTSVILLE MUNICIPAL	31	10-43	ppb	60	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	2023	GRANTSVILLE MUNICIPAL	41	14-71	ppb	80	0	By-product of drinking water chlorination

**Please Note: Because of sampling schedules, results may be older than 1 year.** During the 2023 calendar year, the water systems that we purchase water from had the below noted violation(s) of drinking water regulations.

Water System	Type	Category	Analyte	Compliance Period
WV3300701	PUBLIC NOTICE RULE LINKED TO VIOLATION	PN	PUBLIC NOTICE	9/1/2022 - 9/30/2022
WV3300701	FAILURE TO OBTAIN APPRVL FOR TRMT CHANGE	TT	FLUORIDE	5/1/2023

There are no additional required health effects notices.

There are no additional required health effects violation notices.

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The Calhoun County Commission will be selling property located at 88 Country Lane, Mt. Zion, WV 26151. The property includes a dwelling and pole barn and it includes two parcels of land - 0.81 acre and 4.59 acres. The sale will be held on the Calhoun County Courthouse steps on July 8 at 9:00 a.m. with a minimum bid of \$75,000.00. If you have any questions, please contact the Calhoun County Clerk's office at (304) 354-6725.

## ADVERTISEMENT AND EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES

Pursuant to W.Va. Code §5G-1-3, the Administrative Council for Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center is seeking Expressions of Interest from qualified design professions to provide Architectural/Engineering Services to include design and construction phase administration for HVAC, Lighting, Systems, and General Renovations to Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center. Qualified firms are invited to contact Bryan Stems, Director (bsterns@k12.wv.us or 304-354-6151) at the Administrative Council for Calhoun-Gilmer Career Center Office to obtain a copy of the Statement of Qualification and submission requirements. Statements of Qualification must be received no later than 2:00 p.m. local prevailing time on June 18, 2024, at the Administrative Office of Administrative Council for Calhoun-Gilmer Career, 5260 East Little Kanawha Hwy, Grantsville, WV 26147. In accordance with the requirements of WV Code 5G-1-3, these statements will be evaluated, and the county will conduct discussions/interview with at least three firms which are deemed to be the most highly qualified to provide the services required. The Administrative Council for Calhoun-Gilmer Career reserves the right to reject any and/or all statements from interested firms and to make the award in any manner deemed to be in its best interest in accordance with WV Code 5G-1-3.

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED CONVEYANCE OF UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PROPERTY (Louisa Chapel United Methodist Church)

Notice is hereby given that Board of Trustees of the West Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church will, on or after June 13, 2024 QUITCLAIM, GRANT and CONVEY to the Trustees of Louisa Chapel all of their right, title and interest in and to that certain lot or parcel of real estate situate, lying and being in Lee District, in Calhoun County, West Virginia, described as follows:

### PARCEL ONE

**BEGINNING** at a stake on the turnpike road thence N. 66 6 poles to a walnut; thence N. 28 E. 5 1/2 poles to a stake. S. 84 E. 5 1/2 poles to a stake, thence N. 6 W. 11 poles to a stake on the turnpike road thence with said road N. 84 W. 7 7/10 poles to the beginning containing one half acre.

And being the same property conveyed from Peregrino Hays and Louisa Hays to Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church South by Deed dated August 20th, 1889, and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the County Commission of Calhoun County, West Virginia, in Deed Book 16, at Page 28, reference to which is hereby made.

### PARCEL TWO

**BEGINNING** at the northeast corner of the present lot of second parties, and running thence approximately N. 6 E. 36 feet to a stake, thence N. 86 W. 77 feet to a stake, thence S. 28 W. 38 feet to the northwest corner of the present lot of second parties, and running thence with the northerly boundary of the same, S. 84 E. 91 feet to the place of beginning.

And being the same property conveyed from Betty Keller and John Keller to the Trustees of the Louisa Chapel United Methodist Church of Amoldsburg by Deed dated March 24th, 1956 and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book 94, at Page 277, reference to which is hereby made.

### PARCEL THREE

**BEGINNING** at state road, corner to the Methodist Church lot and running thence with the line of said church lot, 248 feet; thence in an easterly direction to the Gertie White lot; thence with her line to the corner of her lot and the Vere Downs and Ay Downs corner; thence in a westerly direction 3 feet to a stake; thence in a southerly direction and parallel with the line of Vera Downs and Amy Downs and three feet apart and west of said line to State Route 33 and 119; thence with said State Route 33 and 119, 68 feet to the place of beginning, containing 1/2 acre, more or less.

And being the same property conveyed from Jason G. Stump and Sharon Norman, Agent and Attorney-in-Fact for Loren G. Stump, to the Trustees of the Louisa Chapel Church by Deed dated June 5th, 2000, and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book 201, at Page 371, reference to which is hereby made.

### PARCEL FOUR

**BEGINNING** at a 14-inch Hickory, found, corner to McKown, from which a 3/4 - inch by 30-inch reinforcing rod with yellow plastic cap stamped HUPP SURVEYING PS 834, 354-7035, hereinafter referred to as a "rebar", set this survey in a line of Hall, bears N 71-55-40 W, at 18.95 feet thence through the parent tract for two lines; N 41-48-10 E. 36.11 feet to a rebar, set, from which a rebar, set this survey in a line of Hall, bears N 71-50-20W, at 4.11 feet; thence S 71-50-20 E, at 48.57 feet, passing a rebar, set, corner to two tracts of McKown, all, 60.50 feet to a robe, set, in e line of McKown and corner to Louisa Chapel Church, from which a 1-inch iron pipe, found, bears S 71-50-20 E, at 74.64 feet thence with Louisa Chapel Church for two lines; S 18-21-10 W, at 0.74 feet passing a 1/2 - inch rebar, found, in all, 32.96 feet to a 1/2 - inch rebar, found; thence N 71-55-40 W, 74.87 feet to the place of beginning, containing 0.05 acres (2234.4 square feet), more or less.

And being the same property conveyed from James McKown and Karen McKown, his wife, to the Trustees for the Louisa Chapel United Methodist Church by Deed dated July 2nd, 2009, and recorded in the aforesaid Clerk's Office in Deed Book 228, at Page 137, reference to which is hereby made.

Said Louisa Chapel United Methodist Church was declared closed effective on April 10, 2024, by a majority of the District Superintendents of the West Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Dated the 28th day of May, 2024.

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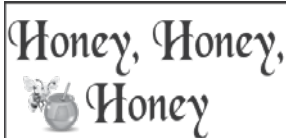
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