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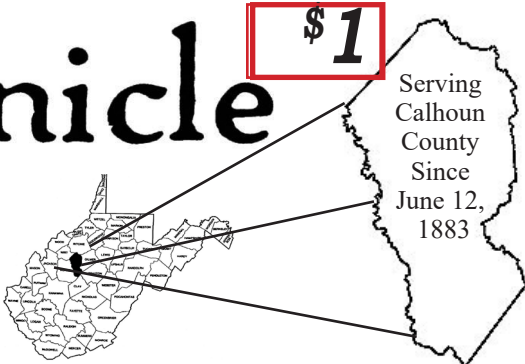
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Was this story written by ‘man’ or artificial intelligence?

By Gaylen Duskey

This is an AI (artificial intelligence) generated story about Calhoun’s wrestling team in the Braxton Invitational.

Hey, it ain’t bad.

THE STORY: “In the heart of West Virginia, the Calhoun County wrestling team embarked on a journey that would etch their names into the annals of high school sports history. This season, the team was a tapestry

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Planetary alignment spectacular but nasty weather topped viewing at county park

By Gaylen Duskey

A rare planetary alignment is underway as six planets line up allowing the people of earth to see it

The planets of Venus, Saturn, Jupiter, Mars, Uranus and Neptune align with people being able to see many without a

telescope and all of them with one.

Calhoun County has a prime sky viewing location at the Calhoun County Park which many sky gazers have used because it is considered “dark” without close by lights disturbing the viewing area.

ALIGNMENT cont. on page 8



It Has Begun

Six planets have now aligned in the sky, beginning a two-month-long grand alignment of planets. Soon, it will turn into a seven-planet parade when Mercury joins the lineup.

Grantsville to have a new mayor after June election

By Gaylen Duskey

Grantsville will have a new mayor following the 2025 Municipal Election after current Mayor Robert Petrovsky declined to file for re-election.

Petrovsky, a two term mayor has guided the town through some tumultuous times especially with the troubled water department and a 60 per cent rate hike in the water rates.

However, the rate hike has eased the way for the Grantsville Water Company to enter into consolidation talks with the Mount Zion Public Service District and the Pleasant Hill Public Service District. The combination of those three entities will allow the new group to hire a professional administrator and combine operations into a centralized location.

With Petrovsky out of the race three

are vying for the job. The include Erin Springston, John Villines and Courtney Yoak Alexander.

Current City Recorder Emily Collins was the only one to file for that position.

Council candidates include incumbents Emalee Morgan and Rissa Staples, and political neophytes Chasity Shock, Tanya Cunningham, Alexis Villines, and Jessica Metz. Five of the six will be elected.

Council incumbents Cheryl Sturm, Linda Staton and Alexander did not file for re-election although Alexander file for mayor.

The election will be in June and leading up to that the Chronicle plans to have a Meet The Candidates story with the candidates biographies (including pictures if available) and plans and ideas about governing the town.

Chronicle Reunions Listings

When it comes to the temporal things in life nothing is more important than family and in that vein The Calhoun Chronicle is planning to establish a reunions list so that families will have a place to share their plans for a family get together – a reunion.

The same is true for schools, organizations etc.

We want your reunion listings and if the desserts and covered dishes are really good perhaps an invitation.

Below you will find a typical reunion listing so you can use it to show you what we need.

Please send your reunion listing to contact@Calhounchronicle.com.

We thank you.

2025 REUNIONS ANNOUNCED

Hathaway, Stump, Propst Reunion

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ley) HATHAWAY Heirs - Saturday, July 12

Warder E., Sr. & Ethel (Poling) STUMP Heirs - Sunday, July 25

Wesley & Millie (Stalnaker) / Suzie (Fowler) PROPST Heirs - Saturday, August 9

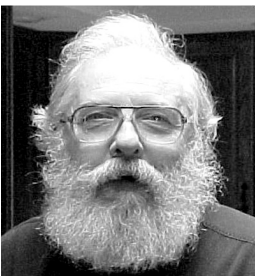
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Calhoun Middle School wrestling coach Dwane Weekley talks with Ezra Anderson during the Red Devils quad meeting with Spencer, Gilmer Ravenswood and Calhoun Wednesday night at Mount Zion. Anderson was named the meet’s Most Valuable Wrestler while undefeated Spencer (3-0) won the event with Calhoun (2-1) second, Gilmer (1-2) third and Ravenswood (0-3) fourth. Please see Sports Page 5.

CRESTON
NEWS

BY ALVIN ENGELKE
PHONE 275-3578



Creston continues to be the land of ice & snow although the weekend did bring warmer weather. John Griffin was able to plow off the snow at the Community Building for the meal after the Pat Nida service so folks didn’t get stuck. Some local roads were kept clean but others were not. Moral of the story, keep supplies on hand.

Debbie Griffin continues a slow recovery after her “vacation” at the Cleveland Clinic.

Roane County sent a road grader to plow the road down into Lower Barnes Run and the grader man forgot about a big rock in the road. The road grader was “thrown” over the hill requiring a major extrication effort. The W. Va. 5 bridge in Creston is now full of holes, just like a section of W. Va. 2 in Wheeling.

Local folks are still getting calls about new plans for medicare and medicaid. Some of the calls indicate that they are coming from legitimate businesses.

The State Tax Department has been sending out tax increase letters. It was said that 5,000 were sent for a nearby county. Seems that the big “surplus” that Justice claimed now cannot be found and the new team is talking about deficits and what to do. Also, it is reported that some are “miffed” since they lost their “stroke”.

Folks were told to be careful not to lose the tax form MV-1 which allows one a state tax deduction for motor vehicles. One local fellow received 14 of the forms on Saturday. One, from Jackson County, noted that the local fellow would not get a credit for his Cadillac XT-5 [that he never owned] as taxes were not timely paid. One thing for sure, our W. Va. State Tax Department has it “together”.

It was reported that Sec. Of State Chris Warner was calling in Elizabeth last week.

FedEx was out making deliveries on Sunday. Some had been waiting weeks for shipments.

The comely Kim Mowrey who had been recuperating at her mother’s home returned to resume her employment at the FBI Center.

Local folks, like folks elsewhere, are watching with wonder at the new administration’s “Shock and Awe” operations. Seeing illegal aliens rounded up and put on planes for deportation makes one sleep better. The criminal with 17 counts who said he “Wasn’t going back” should be a regular campaign poster for 2026 and 2028. The lecture to the one worlders at Davos was classic. As one of them said, “He won and we lost”.

West Virginia now has primacy for CO2 injection wells in the state although presently there are none. These injection wells are called Class VI wells and in other states there have been problems with them. With the end of the “new green scam” there is some question about the future of such.

The power grid operator (for W. Va. Pennsylvania, Ohio and other nearby states) reported that on January 22 there was the greatest power draw ever as a result of the cold weather. Natural gas provided 42.5%, coal 22.9%, oil 3%, nuclear 24.5% with wind and solar providing 4.46%.

The price of local Pennsylvania grade crude oil is \$73.66/bbl. Although locally almost no oil has been shipped because of the condition of “back roads” and lease roads. Condensate is \$55.66/bbl. While Marcellus & Utica light is \$62.66/bbl. It seems that one local operator sold crude oil and paid the condensate price. One needs to look at the detail on the check. The NYMEX price of natural gas jumped to \$4.258/MMBTU, the highest price since December 2022.

Winter will really end when pitchers and catchers report

By Gaylen Duskey

“When (Anton) Chekhov saw the long winter, he saw a winter bleak and dark and bereft of hope. Yet we know that winter is just another step in the cycle of life. But standing here among the people of Punxsutawney and basking in the warmth of their hearths and hearts, I couldn’t imagine a better fate than a long and lustrous winter. For Channel 9 news, I’m Phil Connors.”

That’s Bill Murray speaking in a scene from the movie Groundhog Day.

It’s an enjoyable movie worth watching about a man stuck in the same day – Groundhog Day -- over and over and the misadventures it causes.

But to every sports fan in the world the official end of Anton Chekhov’s long bleak winer comes with these words: “PITCHERS AND CATCHERS REPORT!!!!”

“Pitchers and catchers are reporting,” is a sentence that brings a lot of excitement every year, because it means that baseball is almost back. While some players may work out informally at teams’ Spring Training complexes prior to that point, each team has two official dates for players to arrive at camp: one for pitchers and catchers, who need more time to ramp up for the season, and another, generally five or six days later, for the rest of the position players,” according to the baseball website MLB.Com.

This year the Cubs, who will face the Dodgers in the season-opening Tokyo Series, have the earliest first workout dates in 2025: Feb. 9 for pitchers and catchers, and Feb. 14 for the full squad. Every team will hold its first pitchers and catchers workout no later than Feb. 13, and its first full-squad workout no later than Feb. 18.

After that he sun will come out and there will be new grass on the field.

The song Centerfield by John Fogerty pretty well sums up my feelings.

Well, beat the drum and hold the phone
The sun came out today
We’re born again, there’s new grass on the field
A-roundin’ third, and headed for home
It’s a brown-eyed handsome man
Anyone can understand the way I feel

“Oh, put me in, Coach
I’m ready to play today
Put me in, Coach
I’m ready to play today
Look at me, I can be centerfield”

Truthfully at my age I am probably more of a right fielder any more, but the feelings are still the same.

Once the season gets under way, we will have things to talk about until he seasons ends in the glorious crescendo of another World Series (and hopefully another Dodgers’ championship).

As Terry Cashman says for all all us baseball fans:

“We’re talkin’ baseball!
Kluszewski, Campanella
Talkin’ baseball!
The Man and Bobby Feller
The Scooter, the Barber, and the Newc
Theyknew’emallfromBostontoDubuque
Especially Willie, Mickey, and the Duke”

Ah, for all the wonderful games past and the games to come and most especially all the games today I am happy.

Now if you want some sports while waiting on the start of baseball season there is a lot of basketball and wrestling still to go.

In basketball a new look Marshall

team has figured out how to win on the road and has become a legitimate contender in is first year under new coach Cornelius ‘Corny’ Jackson. Jackson is the son of the former Glenville State College football standout Jerome Fruit making yet another Marshall-GSC sports connection.

Up in Morgantown Wes Virginia University’s basketball team has shown it can beat anybody or get beat by anybody and could be a force come tournament time.

But if you want to keep your basketball watching local, may I suggest taking in a Glenville State game.

Remember the names Prince Mosen-go, Ammar Maxwell, Elijah Redfern and Don Colon-Lewis. Also keep your eyes open because you may hear of Rye Gadd, Corey Boulden, and maybe Shaun Caldwell.

All are freshmen or sophomores for the Pioneers.

Currently Mosengo, Maxwell, Redfern and Colon-Lewis start or play many minutes off the bench while Gadd, Boulden and Caldwell are local hot shots vying for playing time.

Stay tuned.

If you want to see some high caliber wrestling, go see Coach Dylan Cottrell’s team in action. I is ranked No. 2 in all of the NCAA Division II ranks.

Shannon and Trudi Weekley Anderson, whose son Ezra is a junior high standout wrestler, recently made a purchase for the Calhoun County wrestling program.

“I have been so excited to be able to share this. Shannon Anderson State Farm (Sistersville) was asked to sponsor new corner mats for Calhoun wrestling. Well, we are a huge wrestling family and wanted to do something a little extra special. So here is the debut of the new mats.” Trudi wrote on line while reveling corner pads honoring the late Mike Stump Calhoun’s Hall of Fame wrestling coach, “Coach Stump you will always be in these boys’ corner.”

BACK TO THE LIFE MUNDANE:
There were 10 intrepid souls who stepped forward as willing to lead Grantsville for the next two years.as mayor recorder or a member of the town council.

God bless you all.

There were 11 as one person filed for the mayor then withdrew his filing.

The candidates are Mayor, Erin Springston John Villines and Courtney Yoak Alexander; Recorder Emily Collins (i); and Council, Alexis Villines, Emalee Morgan (i), Rissa Staples (i), Chastity Shock, Tanya Cunningham and Jessica Metz.

I wish them all well because I know elected public service is not a fun job since I did my time as a council member twice.

I have talked with one of the candidates about the possibility of switching to a “metro” government with a county administrator over both the county and the town governments and they were receptive to such a thing, which is a good thing.

We will have a meet the candidate forum sometime before the election where the candidates will have a chance to introduce themselves and their ideas and plans for the community. Keep watching for that.

Its going to be an interesting time in our little town so stay tuned.

Until next time stay safe but don’t spend your life in a bubble.

Evening Commission Meeting for Citizen Availability

Courtesy The Ridgeview News

The Calhoun County Commission voted at the January 13th, 2025 meeting to begin holding two monthly meetings, one during business hours and the other in the evening to make themselves better available to citizens. The first evening meeting will be next week, Monday, January 27th at 6 p.m. The agenda is below.

CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, January 27, 2025

6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order:
- II. Pledge of Allegiance Followed by Prayer:
- III. Delegations/Requests:

A.
- IV. New Business:

A. Request MOVRC Foster Grandparent Program

B. Mt. Zion PSD Update

C. Sound/Live Stream System

D. Disposal of Extra Office Furniture and Miscellaneous Items

E. Animal Shelter – 501-C-3 Payment

F. Courthouse Repairs

1. Snow Removal Equipment

2. Estimate for Multiple Repairs to Courthouse and Annex Facilities

G. Business Incentive Options

H. Office supplies, phone/internet, printer, and computer for administrator
- V. Old Business:

A.
- VI. Personnel Items:

A. Consider Position of County Administrator

B. Consider County Administrator Advertisement

C. Consider Extra Pay for 911 Employees when courthouse is closed
- VII. Appointments to Boards and Authorities:

A. Alice Holmes – Resignation Animal Shelter Board

B. Commission Representative on Minnie Hamilton Board for EMS/Ambulance Services
- VIII. Grants, Contracts, Applications and Resolutions:

A.
- XIV. Adjournment – Next Meeting: February 10, 2025 @ 9:00 a.m.

Agenda subject to change up to 3 business days prior to meeting date and time

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.
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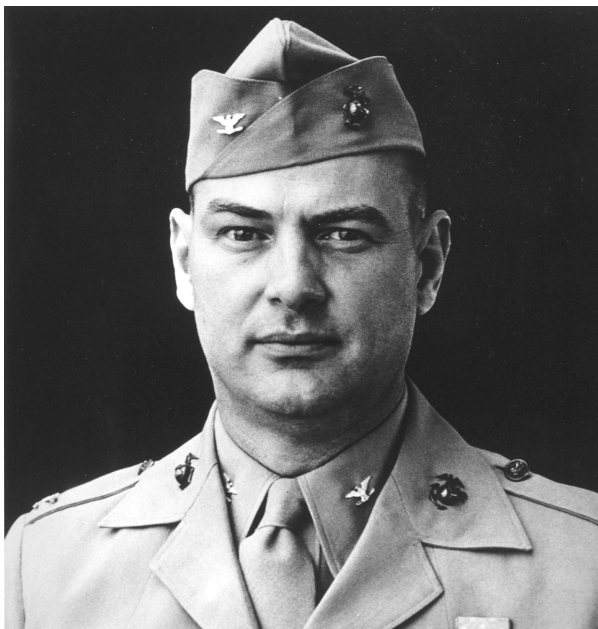
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Jan. 30, 1818: Nicholas County was created by the Virginia legislature from parts of Greenbrier, Kanawha and Randolph counties. The county was named for Wilson Cary Nicholas, a Virginia governor and U.S. senator who lived from 1761 to 1820.

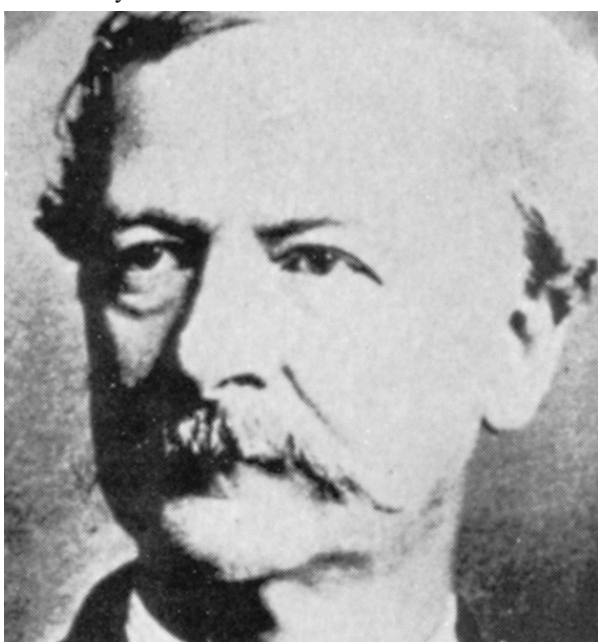
Jan. 30, 1895: Mingo County was created from the southern part of Logan County. Mingo is the youngest county in West Virginia.

Jan. 31, 1878: Educator William Woodson Trent was born in rural Nicholas County. He served as state superintendent of schools from 1933 until 1957.

Jan. 31, 1922: Movie and television actress Joanne Dru was born Joan Letitia Lacock in Logan. Her movie



Feb. 2, 1908: Justice Marion Chambers was born in Huntington. Chambers was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions in the World War II Iwo Jima campaign in February 1945.



Feb. 3, 1825: Confederate General William Lowther Jackson was born in Clarksburg. He was one of at least three Southern officers to bear the nickname "Mudwall."

Feb. 3, 1845: Gilmer County, located in the heart of West Virginia, was established from parts of Kanawha and Lewis counties. It was named for Thomas W. Gilmer, a governor of Virginia.



Feb. 3, 1923: Broadcast announcer Jack Fleming was born in Morgantown. He was the long-time "Voice of the Mountaineers."

Feb. 3, 1961: The West Virginia legislature passed a resolution adopting "The West Virginia Hills" as an official state song. Prior to the adoption of "Take Me Home, Country Roads," "The West Virginia Hills" was the best-known of our four official state songs.

Feb. 4, 1845: Doddridge County was formed from parts of Harrison, Lewis, Ritchie, and Tyler counties. It was named for Philip Doddridge, a Western Virginia congressman, state legislator and member of the Virginia Constitutional Convention of 1829–30.

Feb. 4, 1945: The hotel at Minnehaha Springs was destroyed by fire. Built in 1914, it was the first facility in Pocahontas County built strictly for the tourist business and was a forerunner of today's local tourism economy.

Feb. 5, 1784: Nancy Hanks, the mother of Abraham Lincoln, was probably born February 5, 1784, in Hampshire County on Mikes Run in what is now Mineral County, although historical records relating to her early life do not exist.



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Feb. 5, 1889: Fiddler and self-taught physician James Franklin "Doc" White was born near Ivydale, Clay County. White served the community as doctor, dentist and midwife, delivering more than 1,800 babies.

Feb. 5, 1890: Coach Eli Camden "Cam" Henderson was born in Joetown, Marion County. He is a revered figure in Marshall University sports history.

Feb. 5, 1941: Actor David Lynn Selby was born in Morgantown. His stage and screen credits include the outdoor drama Honey in the Rock, and the television shows Falcon Crest and Dark Shadows.

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 1st 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 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.,

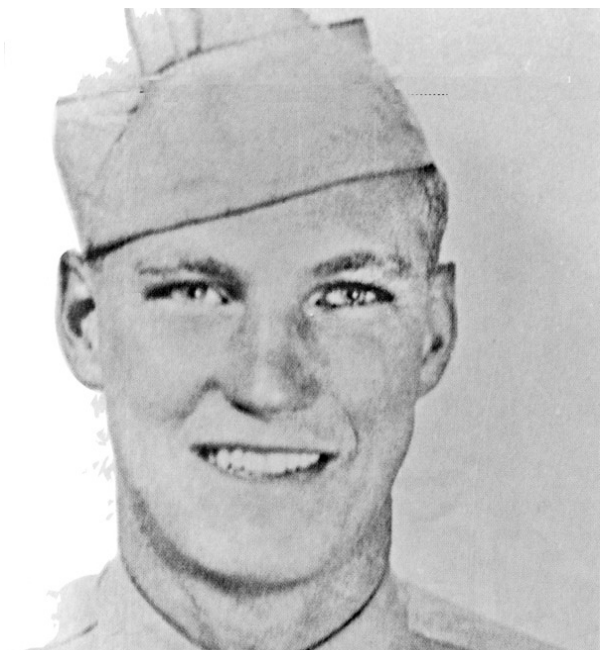
Arnoldsburg Farmer's Market, West Fork Park, Arnoldsburg. Fridays 2 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Berea Gardens Drive Thru Farmer's Market, Bereda Gardens, Minnora. Wednesdays 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

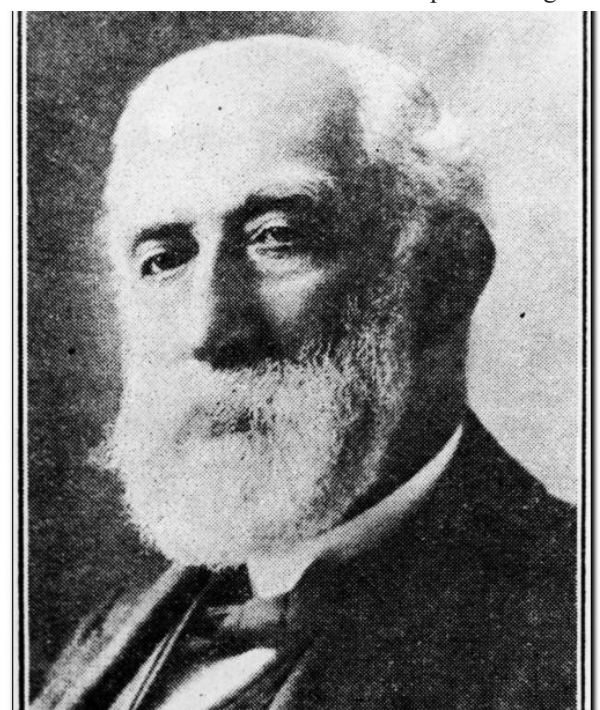
Grantsville Farmer's Market, Season details not yet available.

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career included more than 40 films. Her brother, singer and TV host Peter Marshall, is also a West Virginia native.

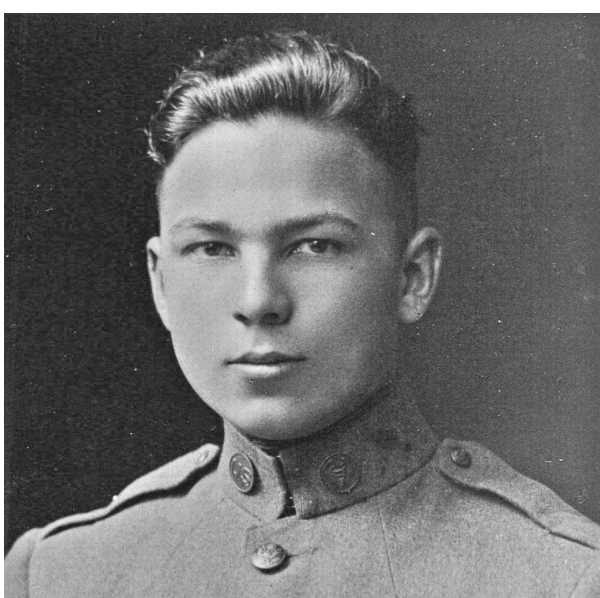


Jan. 31, 1945: Sergeant Jonah Edward Kelley of Mineral County was killed in action while leading his squad against German positions during World War II. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for his "superb courage."



Feb. 1, 1832: Education reformer Alexander Luark Wade was born. Wade reorganized rural Monongalia County schools to require progress through eight prescribed levels with a graduating exercise and receipt of a diploma. Wade's system worked so well it was copied in other counties and states.

Feb. 1, 1901: Frank Buckles, the last surviving American veteran of World War I, was born in Missouri. Buckles purchased a farm in Charles Town in 1954 and continued to live there until his death in 2011.



Writer with Calhoun ties planning charity auction

@KidlitForLosAngeles

BID NOW!

Signed + Personalized
Goodnight, Goodnight,
Construction Site
set from
#1 New York Times
Bestselling Author
Sherri Duskey Rinker



<https://www.32auctions.com/kidlitforlosangeles>

Sherry Duskey Rinker is the daughter of the late Ronald Duskey, a Calhoun High School graduate and a county native. She is a world-renowned author of children’s books and has had several to the New York Times list.

Here are her comments about the charity auction:
“Hi, Friends!

“I’m always honored to be a member of the kidlit community, but when I saw how quickly a team of authors, illustrators, editors, agents, and readers mobilized to raise money to help the communities impacted by the Los Angeles wildfires, I have never been more proud.

“It took only a handful of days for the team behind Kidlit For Los Angeles to spring into action and organize a series of auctions featuring signed books, agent AMAs, editorial and illustration reviews, virtual school visits, and more, all to help those in need.

“I’m thrilled to be able to take part and donate a signed and personalized hardcover collection of the complete Goodnight, Goodnight Construction Site series. You can bid on this set, along with a TON of other generous prizes, before January 26th at 9:00 PM PST.

All funds raised will go directly to:
California Community Foundation - Wildfire Relief Fund: www.calfund.org

Los Angeles Regional Food Bank: www.lafood-bank.org

Los Angeles Fire Department Foundation: www.supportlafd.org/

Animal Wellness Foundation Fire Relief Fund: www.animalwellnessfoundation.org/

“If you’re able, help us help folks in their time of need. Please share the campaign and follow @kidlitforlosangeles on Instagram for more auctions and ways to help.”

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try of talent, determination, and unyielding spirit, each wrestler contributing to a narrative of triumph and resilience.

“**Reese Schoolcraft**, a seasoned wrestler, showcased his prowess on the mat with a series of strategic moves and powerful pins. His efforts earned him a commendable 3rd place, with 4 points and 2 wins, a testament to his skill and dedication.

“**Deklan Meadows** emerged as a formidable force, his technique and strength propelling him to the finals. With 6 points and 3 wins, Deklan clinched 2nd place, his performance a beacon of inspiration for his teammates.

“**Darius Dane**, though faced with tough competition, displayed immense courage and sportsmanship. Despite not securing a win, his presence and effort were invaluable, earning him 5th place and the respect of his peers.

“**Eligah Parsell** fought valiantly, his matches a blend of agility and strategy. His 2nd place finish, with 6 points and 3 wins, highlighted his exceptional talent and relentless pursuit of excellence.

“**Kaydan Durr** stood out as a champion, his dominance on the mat undeniable. With 7 points and 4 wins, Kaydan secured 1st place, his victories a source of pride for Calhoun County.

“**Joe Nelson** faced fierce opponents but never wavered in his resolve. His single win earned him 5th place, a reflection of his perseverance and commitment to the sport.

“**Tucker Sampson** showcased his wrestling acumen with a series of impressive performances. His 2nd place finish, with 6.5 points and 4 wins, underscored his skill and determination.

“**Ryan Harper** brought tenacity to every match, his efforts culminating in a 4th place finish. With 2 points and 1 win, Ryan’s journey was marked by growth and resilience.

“**Connor Gibson** demonstrated grit and determination, his matches a testament to his hard work. His 4th place finish, with 2 points and 1 win, highlighted his unwavering spirit.

“**Noah Hines** proved to be a formidable competitor, his strategic prowess earning him 3rd place. With 6 points and 3 wins, Noah’s season was a showcase of his wrestling talent.

“**Nathan McClain** rounded out the team with a strong performance, his efforts earning him 5th place. With 2 points and 1 win, Nathan’s journey was one of perseverance and dedication.

“Together, these wrestlers formed a team that embodied the spirit of Calhoun County. Their season was not just about the victories and placements but about the camaraderie, the lessons learned, and the indomitable spirit that defined them. Each wrestler’s story was a chapter in a larger narrative of resilience, hard work, and the relentless pursuit of greatness. As the season drew to a close, the Calhoun County wrestling team stood tall, their legacy etched in the memories of all who witnessed their journey.”

How accurate is this story?

Honestly, I don’t know because I was not there keeping score and taking notes so I cannot attest to the accuracy. I can, however, say that this AI story never dealt with print media where brevity and accuracy are extremely important since newsprint is expensive and newspapers live financially by advertising and paid circulation.

This story falls way short on the newspaper worthy part.

A popular internet reporting program is MaxPreps which many different Calhoun County High School sports teams use.,

Actually, I wish they all did because MaxPreps does a fantastic job on statistics and it has certainly helped with football and boys’ basketball. Those are the stats that we use in The Chronicle.

But are these stories the be-all and do all stories we need?

After the Gilmer-Calhoun game the Titans won by a point with a shot with about 10 seconds left while Calhoun missed a shot right near the buzzer.

“The game was either 10 seconds too long or 10 seconds too short,” I said to Calhoun play-by-play announcer Tim Davis. He chuckled and said, “you’re right.”

The AI story had everything correct but it missed the story.

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Braxton Invitational

Calhoun had the following wrestlers and their respective placements:

- Wes Files:** 1st place in Weight Class 106.1
- Reese Schoolcraft:** 2nd place in Weight Class 113.1
- Noah Butler:** 2nd place in Weight Class 132.5
- Mason Jarvis:** 1st place in Weight Class 126.4
- Tucker Sampson:** 3rd place in Weight Class 138.2
- Haiden Staten:** 3rd place in Weight Class 157.2
- Joe Nelson:** 2nd place in Weight Class 150.5

Nic Butler: 2nd place in Weight Class 190.4

Joe Sampson: 3rd place in Weight Class 215.4

Here are the results for the Calhoun wrestlers listed in the document:

Reese Schoolcraft
Points: 4
Wins: 2
Place: 3rd

Deklan Meadows
Points: 6

Wins: 3
Place: 2nd
Darius Dane
Points: 0

Wins: 0
Place: 5th

Eligah Parsell
Points: 6

Wins: 3
Place: 2nd
Kaydan Durr
Points: 7
Wins: 4
Place: 1st

Joe Nelson
Points: 2

Wins: 1
Place: 5th

Tucker Sampson
Points: 6.5
Wins: 4
Place: 2nd
Ryan Harper
Points: 2

Wins: 1
Place: 4th

Connor Gibson
Points: 2

Wins: 1
Place: 4th

Noah Hines
Points: 6

Wins: 3
Place: 3rd

Nathan McClain
Points: 2

Wins: 1
Place: 5th

It was a big night at Calhoun Middle School where the Red Devils took second in a quad match. Spencer (3-0) was first followed by the Red Devils (2-1), Gilmer (1-2) and Ravenswood (0-3).



Calhoun’s Ezra Anderson won all three of his matches and was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler.



Also that night the Shannon Anderson State Farm Insurance Agency of Sistersville gifted the school a special corner mat honoring the late Coach Mike Stump.

Braxton Invitational Wrestling

Team Scores:

| | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 Point Pleasant 404.5 | 26 Berkeley Springs1 49.5 |
| 2 Berkeley Springs 331.5 | 27 Moorefield1 48 |
| 3 Keyser 324 | 28 Frankfort1 32 |
| 4 Herbert Hoover 287.5 | 29 Lincoln1 32 |
| 5 Braxton County 276.5 | 30 Williamstown1 32 |
| 6 Williamstown 268 | 31 Lewis County1 31.5 |
| 7 Wirt County 199.5 | 32 South Charleston 28 |
| 8 Clay County 197 | 33 Keyser1 24 |
| 9 Greenbrier West 181.5 | 34 Richwood 22 |
| 10 Frankfort 179 | 35 Braxton County1 20 |
| 11 Moorefield 178 | 36 Greenbrier West2 20 |
| 12 Lewis County 170.5 | 37 Moorefield2 20 |
| 13 Shady Spring 140.5 | 38 Greenbrier West1 18 |
| 14 Herbert Hoover1 129 | 39 Grafton1 16 |
| 15 Grafton 122 | 40 Braxton2 12 |
| 16 Petersburg 122 | 41 Frankfort2 12 |
| 17 Calhoun County 121.5 | 42 Lewis County2 12 |
| 18 Lincoln 109.5 | 43 South Charleston1 11.5 |
| 19 Herbert Hoover2 86.5 | 44 Calhoun County1 8 |
| 20 Gilmer County 77.5 | 45 Frankfort3 8 |
| 21 Philip Barbour 75 | 46 Nicholas County1 6 |
| 22 Webster County 71.5 | 47 Webster County1 4 |
| 23 Nicholas County 66 | 48 G.West 2 |
| 24 East Hardy 63 | 49 East Hardy1 0 |
| 25 Point Pleasant1 55 | 50 Wirt County1 0 |

Calhoun 18th at Bob Zide

WILLIAMSTOWN -- Calhoun County had a notable presence at the Bob Zide Rumble on January 25, 2025 finishing 18h overall with 43 points.

Here are the results for their wrestlers:
113 lbs: Reese Schoolcraft secured 2nd place, showcasing strong performances throughout the tournament.

138 lbs: Tucker Sampson achieved 3rd place, demonstrating his skill and determination.

150 lbs: Joe Nelson finished in 6th place, contributing valuable points to the

team.

157 lbs: Haiden Staten placed 3rd, adding to Calhoun County’s overall success.

165 lbs: Ryan Harper earned 5th place, showing resilience and competitive spirit.

Overall, Calhoun County’s wrestlers displayed commendable efforts and contributed to the team’s performance in the tournament.

This story was generated via AI (artificial intelligence)

Calhoun girls lose to Gilmer

Calhoun lost against Gilmer County back in December of 2024 and unfortunately they wound up with the same result on Friday. The Calhoun Red Devils took a blow against the Gilmer County Titans, falling 77-35. While losing is never fun, the Red Devils can’t take it too hard given the team’s big disadvantage in MaxPreps’ West Virginia basketball rankings (they are ranked 91st, while the Titans are ranked 21st).

Calhoun’s loss dropped their record down to 3-7. As for Gilmer County, the victory (which was their fourth in a row) raised their record to 9-2.

Calhoun has already played their next match (against Webster County), but no score has been uploaded at the time of writing. Gilmer County will challenge Trinity Christian at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday. Gilmer County knows how to get points on the board -- the team has finished with 55 points or more in their past four games -- so hopefully Trinity Christian likes a good challenge.

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Work continuing on Calhoun Chronicle Church Directory

EDITOR'S NOTE: We are still working toward creating a Church Directory for the Calhoun Chronicle and these are the churches we have thus far. We would like for you to look over the churches we have information about and correct anything we may have wrong in the church's summary.

Also, if we missed any churches in the county, please let us know and tell us about your church. We look forward to hearing from you because each and every church is very important. Also, we would like to get information on churches in neighboring counties where Calhoun people may attend such as churches in Smithville, Stumptown and Creston. We look forward to hearing from you.

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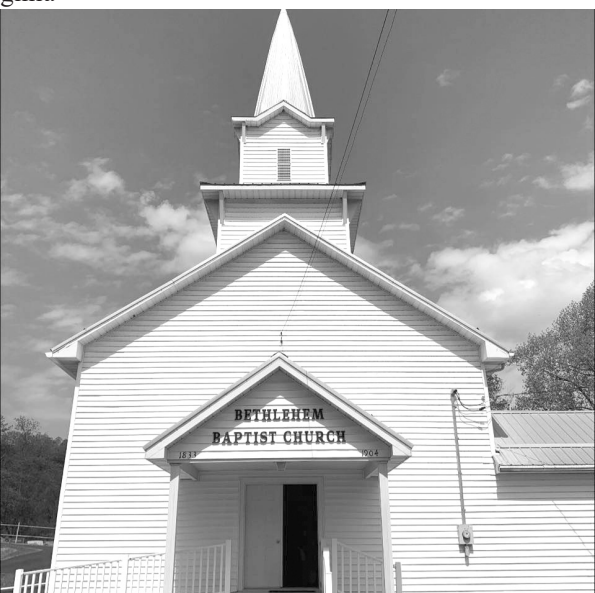
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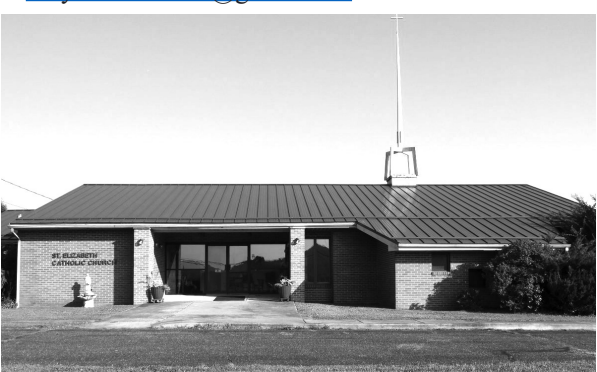


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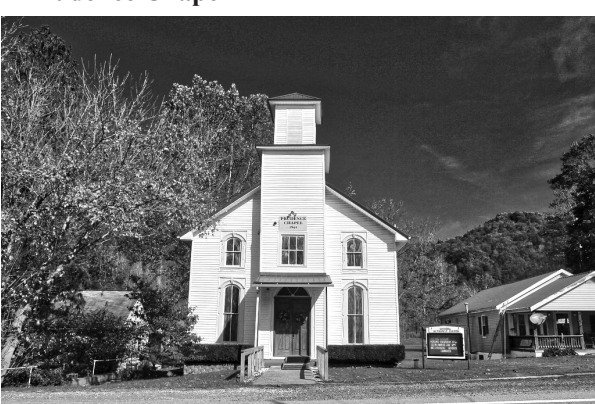
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Cooper happy with delivery of bobcat to Calhoun SWA



Calhoun Solid Waste Authority Director Lisa Cooper was a happy camper when the organization was able to pick up a new piece of equipment – a bobcat.

“After applying for a two year grant, this is the final item in the grant,” she said. “It was delivered by Bob Cat in Parkersburg. “

She continued, “What a blessing it is to be able to work with the WVDEP-

REAP grant program.

“Travis Cooper has been amazing to help through the process, with our legal ads and bidding process.

“I can’t leave out Tanya Cunningham Assistant to the director, who is amazing, all the hours writing the legal ads, sending them to Travis, sending them to the Charleston and Parkersburg newspapers, sending the affidavit to Travis for the next step, to receive the bids,

approving the bids, board meetings to approve the bids. It’s not an easy process. Tanya came on board as we began writing this grant and I’m sure she was overwhelmed. We are so proud that she’s with us now.

“The Board of Directors for Calhoun County Solid Waste Authority is a wonderful board. And we have the Calhoun County Commission showing us so much support.

“Board members: Amanda Morris Chair, Carol Sloane, vice chair, Brenda Gherke Bush , yes, you see her in the photos on the Bob Cat, Janet Cunningham and Dale Cunningham. This is a wonderful Board of Directors!

“And Jake Cottrill is the driver for the equipment, does an outstanding job. Congratulations Cabot Recycling Station on the new purchase and continual growth!”

ALIGNMENT

Continued from Page 1

Normally the park should have been abuzz with visitors but with extremely frigid temperatures and heavy snow were there visitors to the park?

Donnie Pitts, head of the Calhoun Park Board was asked if anyone braved the weather to come to Calhoun County.

“If we did, I’m not aware of it. It would have been difficult to get to the stargazing area,” he said, but added, “I would not be surprised to have folks there before it’s over.”

According to a post by Hashem Al-Ghaili:

“Get Ready — A planetary alignment is happening tonight. Here’s how to watch:

“The much-anticipated planet alignment of 2025 has started. To catch this celestial alignment, look toward the southwestern horizon as twilight

gives way to darkness.

“Venus and Saturn will dazzle together, with Venus shining as the brighter beacon. Above them, Jupiter, recently passed its opposition, radiates as the second brightest point of light after Venus, offering an excellent opportunity for naked-eye observation.

“Mars, with its signature red glow, is unmissable near the eastern horizon. This January is a prime time for viewing the Red Planet, as it grows brighter ahead of its closest approach to Earth in over two years. That peaked on January 15, when it reached opposition. However, the views will be spectacular for a few more weeks.

“For those with a telescope or binoculars, Uranus can be spotted near Jupiter, while Neptune sits close to Venus and Saturn, completing this ce-

lestial spectacle.”

He referred people to NASA’s website.: <https://science.nasa.gov/.../whats-up-january-2025.../>

At that website they had the following advice and information:

“What’s Up for January? Cue the planet parade, Saturn and Venus cross paths, Mars expresses its opposition, and the outlook for the Quadrantid meteors.

“In January, you’ll have the opportunity to take in four bright planets in a single, sweeping view. All month after dark, you’ll find Venus and Saturn in the southwest for the first couple of hours, while Jupiter shines brightly high overhead, and Mars rises in the east. Uranus and Neptune are there too, technically, but they don’t appear as “bright planets.” These multi-planet viewing opportunities aren’t super

rare, but they don’t happen every year, so it’s worth checking it out.

“Now, these events are sometimes called “alignments” of the planets, and while it’s true that they will appear more or less along a line across the sky, that’s what planets always do. That line is called the ecliptic, and it represents the plane of the solar system in which the planets orbit around the Sun. This is, incidentally, why we sometimes observe planets appearing to approach closely to each other in the sky, as we view them along a line while they careen around the cosmic racetrack.”

All of this means that we are having a rare and spectacular celestial event if you want to take advantage of it and the Calhoun County Park is probably the top viewing area in the eastern United States.