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Commissioner Lupardus updates community about on-going business

By Eric Lupardus Calhoun Commissioner

Happy Sunday!
Progress week starts today as all commissioners will be traveling to Charleston for some great networking with fellow commissioners from around the state as well as our state legislators. Several discussion panels are on the schedule. This

I have been in contact with Secretary
Warner and will be offering to be a drop off
location to help our neighbors in Southern West Virginia. Commissioner (Jacob) Mc-Cumbers has made contact with those hit the hardest and has started circulating a list of supplies needed. Please feel free to drop off items at the Country Kitchen in Big Otter.

Commissioner (Craig) Arthur and I have made several trips over the years to visit with our lawmakers and I look forwith our lawmakers and I look forward to representing Calhoun in an official capacity working beside him once again this week.

This past week I traveled down to the cultural center where I was able to meet with Senator (Ben) Queen, Melissa Ob-rien, and Former Secretary (Mitch) Carmichael for some quick discussions during a networking event hosted by the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce. Melissa Obrien and Citynet are making great strides to bring reliable internet to Calhoun. AMC (American Medicine Company) was a hot topic for those at the state level. Calhoun is on their radar, and we need to capitalize on this opportunity to bring these high paying jobs here for our citizens. Thursday the Commission held a board

of equalization meeting and a work session on consolidation of our three water entities in the county. We are moving forward and trying to determine exactly where we are on the bonds. Understanding properly where we are on the bonds will allow the commissioners an opportunity to speed up the consolidation efforts and begin planning for future expansion projects. Safe healthy drinking water is our goal for as many citizens as we can provide it to. Friday, I met with Zac Hupp and CEC

Environmental Consultants in our Commission office. They are working with Shelia Burch and the Little Kanawha River Trail which will bring travelers into our area through recreation along the Little Kanawha River. Speaker (Roger) Hanshaw provided me with a name in hopes to provide additional cell towers along the river as well as other points in

This coming Wednesday (Feb. 26th) at represent the commission!



Calhoun County Commissioners (from left) Jacob McCumbers, Craig Arthur and Eric Lupardus spent Monday working in Charleston with the state legislature and other governmental agencies.

6pm will be our next commission meeting and as always, the public is welcome to attend. Dilapidated structures ordinances and unlicensed salvage yards are on the

I would like to clarify some false statements going around about the commission. The Commission has NO intentions of purchasing a car for a county administrator. Please feel free to contact me or any commissioner if you have any questions.

The Commission is making changes like this county has never seen before. Change can be hard but it's necessary for improvements to take place. Not everyone will be excited about progress and that's understandable, with that being said in order for this county to provide opportunities for its citizens change is inevitable. I enjoy small town living and I also understand the importance of business growth and opportunities to shop locally and save on travel expenses. Like I have said many times before, we will never be a metropolis, but we deserve to have options locally.

I am excited for the upcoming week as it will be one of the biggest on record for

These views are my own and do not

Hope conversion OK, but contingent on second order

CHARLESTON – The Public Service Commission of West Virginia ruled that Hope Gas, Inc., could convert customers to propane or electricity service contin-

gent upon a ruling in a related case.

Hope also was ordered to conduct public meetings in locations convenient to affected customers in Barbour, Braxton, Clay, Doddridge, Gilmer, Jackson, Kanawha, Marion, Mason, Monongalia, Pleasants, Ritchie, Roane, Taylor, Tyler, Upshur, Wetzel, Wirt and Wood counties and to provide advanced notice of those

Calhoun County was not on the list for mandatory meetings however every

county bordering the county was.

On August 23, 2024, Hope asked to convert gas service of 479 farm tap customers and 150 others on third-party lines to alternative fuels because of the expense of serving them.

Farm tap customers are served from gas gathering or transmission lines, instead of utility distribution lines.

"Given the high cost per customer of continuing natural gas service, Hope's

commitment to converting customers to an alternative fuel source is a prudent course of action that will significantly reduce the number of customers whose service may be abandoned," the Commission said.

"Hope's proposal to pay for conversion to propane and serve the converted customers by having customers to pay the same cost as a natural customer using a comparable amount of energy is a reasonable way to retain the customers as Hope customers," it ruled. The effect of this decision, however,

was made contingent upon a later Commission ruling on Hope's October 1, 2024, petition to abandon 1,068 miles of so-called "Red Lines" pipelines serving

farm-tap customers. That evidentiary hearing was set for 9:30 a.m. May 14 and 15 at the PSC headquarters in Charleston.

More information on these cases can be found on the PSC website: www.psc. state.wv.us. Click on "Case Information" and access Case Nos. 24-0704-G-P and 24-0789-G-PC.

County Commissioners Request Help in Supporting Southern WV Flood Victims

Courtesy Ridgeview News

Calhoun County Commissioners Eric upardus, Craig Arthur, and Jacob Mc-Cumbers are asking the citizens of Calhoun and surrounding areas to help support those affected by the devastating loods in McDowell and Mercer Coun-

We are collecting donated items to be delivered to those in need. If you are able to contribute, you can drop off items at the Country Kitchen in Big Otter or contact one of the three commissioners.

Let's come together and support our neighbors in this difficult time. Once a load is collected, it will be delivered. Thank you, Delegate Green and McDowell Commissioner Cecil.

Plus, let's thank all those individuals who are volunteering during this count-less time and pray for those who were af-fected by the flooding. ern neighbors in McDowell and Mercer Counties:

Supplies that are needed for our south-

Cleaning supplies Dehumidifier

Bleach

Cleaning gloves Rakes

Shovels (spade and flat) squeegee brooms
Push brooms

Bleach spray

Spray bottles Paper items (towels, toilet pa-

per, cups/plates)

Cleaning rags
Pet food

Clorox wipes (disinfected wipes)

Dry milk

All power has been restored in Mc-Dowell and Mercer Co.w

Calhoun football coach Goodrich reacts to 2025 schedule

By Jeff Goodrich Čalhoun Football Coach

Minor changes were made in the sched-

ule for the 2025 season.

We will scrimmage two different teams in Ravenswood and Huntington St. Joe. We were able to add our scrimmage teams from last year to our regular season schedule. Richwood and Tygarts Valley will be replacing Tolsia and Braxton.

Outside of those teams the schedule will

remain much the same.

We will play five class A LKC teams (Gilmer, Wirt, Wahama, Webster, and Ritchie), while also playing two class AA LKC teams (Buffalo and Clay).

The three out of conference games will be a familiar team on the schedule in Valley Wetzel, along with Richwood and Tygarts

Several of the teams lost a lot of kids to graduation that we will see this year, where we only lost two to graduation.

So hopefully with us keeping intact a lot of kids with experience will be a difference in several contest this fall.

Four of the teams we will face this season are coming off playoff appearances in the 2024 season, with a couple other teams that barely missed a bid to the playoffs last fall. So strength of schedule should still very much be there as it has in the past, but we are bringing back a ton of experience that will be a year older this year, along with a pretty solid incoming freshman class.

We are looking forward to getting back on the field, and ready to open on the road

in a 9pm matchup against Gilmer!



Calhoun 106-pound wrestler Reese Schoolcraft gets a pin en route to winning weight class at the Class AA/A Region IV tournament. He will advance to the state tournament which will be held in Huntington. Please see SPORTS Page Five

Calhoun 2025 football schedule a tough nut to crack

By Gaylen Duskey
Goodbye Braxton. Goodbye Tolsia. Hello Richwood. Hello Tygart's Valley.

That is the essence of Calhoun County High School's 2025 football schedule, but it is still a tough nut for the Red Devils to crack since it includes four playoff teams including a current state championship team.

Wirt, Valley, Clay and Wahama were all playoff teams last year with Wahama going undefeated while claiming the Class A championship.

Calbour went 0-10 last season and is

currently on a 25-game losing streak dating back to Sept. 30, 2022, when it post-

ed a 36-0 win over Paden City.

The Red Devils have two scrimmage games starting with Ravenswood on Aug. 15 at Mount Zion. That is followed with a scrimmage game at Huntington St.

Joe on Aug. 22.

The Red Devils open the regular season with a late night game against Gilmer as the final game of the first day of the Ratliff Insurance High School Football Kickoff Classic. This is the first year of a high school football classic hosted by Glenville State University at Morris Stadium. Game time for the Aug. 29 game

According to the Glenville State University web site: "The new event will kick off on Friday with Wahama High School matching up against East Hardy at 5:45 p.m., followed by Gilmer County High School hosting rival Calhoun County High School at 9 p.m.

"Saturday will begin with the opportunity for teams to watch a Glenville State nity for teams to watch a Glenville State University football practice from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. At 11:00 a.m., Midland Trail High School will face off against Clay County. The action continues at 2:10 p.m. with Williamstown High School vs. James Monroe. At 5:20 p.m., Nitro High School will take on Hedgesville in the pepultimate contest, and Greenbrier West penultimate contest, and Greenbrier West High School will take on Roane County at approximately 8:30 p.m. to cap off the

festivities.

"Fans can purchase a ticket that is good for all four games on Saturday at a cost of \$12 for an adult and \$5 for a student.

Parking for the event is \$5. Tickets and parking will be the same price on Friday that will be good for both contests."

Following their appearance in the classic the Red Devils travel to Richwood on Sept. 5 to face the Lumberjacks. It is the

first meeting between the two teams.

The Red Devils open their home schedule Sept. 12 when Wirt travels to Mt. Zion.

The Tigers are Calhoun's oldest opponent dating back more than 100 years as the teams met twice in 1922. Overall, Wirt holds a 46-33-4 advantage over the Red Devils. Last year the Tigers won 50-0 in Elizabeth. Wirt was a playoff

qualified in Class A last year.

Calhoun goes back on the road Sept. 19 traveling to defending state champion Wahama. The White Falcons beat Calhoun 61-13 last year.

After a bye week the Red Devils return

to action playing host to Buffalo on Oct.

Calhoun returns to the road on Oct. 10 making a trip to Class AA playoff team

The Red Devils entertain another Class A playoff team on Oct. 17 for Homecom-

Tygart's Valley comes to Mt. Zion for a game on Oct. 24.

The next week Oct. 31 the Red Devils will wind up the home half of their schedule against Webster County for Se-

nior Night.
The Red Devils end their season at Ritchie County on Nov. 7.

2025 Schedule
8/15 Scrimmage vs. Ravenswood 7pm
8/22 Scrimmage @ Huntington St. Joe

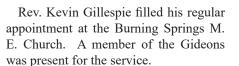
8/29 @ Gilmer 9 pm 9/5 @ Richwood 7pm 9/12 vs. Wirt 9/19 @ Wahama 9/26 BYE

9/20 B L L 10/3 vs. Buffalo 10/10 @ Clay (7-3) 10/17 vs. Valley Wetzel (Homecom-

ing)
10/24 vs. Tygart's Valley (2-8)
10/31 vs. Webster – Senior Night
11/7 @ Ritchie

CRESTON NEWS

BY ALVIN ENGELKE PHONE 275-3578



Velcie Ann Stevens, age 84, of Mt. Zion passed away on February 16 at her home. She was the daughter of Icy Tanner. She worked as a foster grandmother in the school system.

Dr. Aaron dePue Cottle, age 86, of Spencer died as a result of a fall.

After a week of snow and cold weather it warmed up over the weekend with much of the snow melting. Easter flowers and now crocuses are up although just barely.

Nancy Engelke was undergoing tests at a Belpre medical facility.

Creston folks missed out on all the car chase action on W. Va. 14, Mayberry, Shepherd's Ford, etc. It seems this local girl and her Ohio boyfriend who had daddy's car decided to elude police who gave chase. The unlucky fellow did learn that a Malibu could get through high water at the Left Reedy ford, but daddy's car is now, well not fixable. It seems some will go to extreme ends to "earn a vacation where the cots are made of concrete".

It was reported that a "travel after dark" outfit is trying to lease oil and gas for \$500/acre as, perhaps, they know something that the rest of us do not and then the firm can sell the leases for \$5,000/acre, Folks need to be very careful and, if approached, let someone from the old Wirt Oil & Gas group known as help is available before one signs. Some folks have family members who signed documents prior to 1900, and the family is obligated to "the sanctity of contracts". Back then \$300 was "a lot of money".

In a study of 1.7 million children, it was observed that myocarditis was found only in those who had taken the COVID vaccine. It would seem that now is a new day in public health.

There will be a meeting of the Creston Community Building Tuesday, March 4 at 6:30 P. M.

The local area continues to have folks



sick with various influenzas, some respiratory and others that involve the digestive tract. It was noted that the policy of the USDA under the prior administration dealing with "bird flu" caused a shortage of eggs and damage to farmers but did little to deal with the virus that may have been concocted in a USDA facility. It was noted that the disease does not cross the border into Mexico which seems downright amazing that a "secure border" would stop migratory birds, coyotes, the road runner and those slipping eggs over the border. A local fellow has ocean front lots for sale in Spring Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Tucker were attending to business in Elizabeth.

Ryan and Jessica Marks, Rylynn, Brooklyn and Izzy, A. C. and Mary, Thomas and little Curtis Marks, J. P. Marks, John and Debbie Griffin, were all calling on Sis and Cooter Marks & Ralph on the occasion of a birthday celebration for Brooklyn, J. P. and John.

Some folks are getting work done on equipment so it will be ready to go come spring.

The new leader in Argentina gave Elon Musk a chainsaw to help cut government fraud, waste and abuse. It is now clear how some are able to maintain a high profile without visible means of support. The Senile One "gave" adult novel writer Stacy Abrams \$2 billion for her climate NGO. Who knew?

Different local folks or folks who have local property have been approached to buy "hunting land". A Burning Springs native noted that something was up and obviously now is not the time to sell for he felt just not right. Some of it is tied into various Ohio "slicksters".

The price of local Pennsylvania grade crude oil slipped to \$69.40/bbl. With condensate (super mountain high test) bringing \$51.40/bbl. with Marcellus & Utica light fetching just \$58.40/bbl. One local producer is paying condensate price for Pennsylvania grade crude oil. The NY-MEX price of natural gas rose to \$4.28/MMBTU, the highest in three years.

Mt. Zion Cemetery Report for 2024

Donations

Mike/Sherra Ferrell \$25.00 Janet Davis \$25.00 Loretta Godfrey \$25.00 Bonel Zakarian/Dawn Lynch \$25.00

Robyn Johnson \$50.00 Clarke Wilson \$50.00 Chet/Nellie Dowel \$50.00 Earl/Becky Hall \$50.00 Jim/Martha Johnson \$50.00 Roger Smith \$50.00 John/Kathy Wood \$50.00 Hersman Family \$50.00 Dixie Sturm \$50.00 Carmel Goodrich \$100.00 Jerry/Phyllis Malona \$100.00 David/Janet Suddock \$100.00 Larry/Lora Sturm \$100.00 Irene Lynch \$100.00
Richard Delaney \$100.00
Hays/Martha Haymaker \$100.00
Barbara Hathaway \$150.00
Mark and Linda Shock \$200.00
Charles/Jeane Linderman by Paul
E. Jones \$250.00

Dick/Donna Poling \$250.00 Raymond/Carol Baker \$250.00 Twila/Glen Roach \$300.00 Christine Pfund \$400.00 Kathy Smith Sayre \$400.00 Raymond James Estate by James Gregg \$2,000.00

Gregg \$2,000.00 \$5,450.00

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Calhoun County Committee on Aging, Inc.

March 2025



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Northern Beans with Ham Onion Spinach Applesauce Ww Cornbread	4 Chicken Tenders Macaroni & Cheese Kale Juice Ww Bread	5 Meatloaf with ketchup Peas Mashed potatoes Juice Ww roll	6 Italian Sausage Kraut Potatoes Ww Cornbread Fruit	7 Fish pickles Potatoes Ww bun Carrots Slaw Fruit
IO Rib sandwich with onions Potatoes Brussel sprouts fruit Ww Roll	II Hamburger Lettuce/Onion Mayo Tater Tots Jell-o w/fruit Ww Bun	I2 Hot Dog w/ tomato Sauce Baked Beans Fruit Ww Bun Onions	I3 Baked steak Mashed Potatoes gravy Peas Ww Roll Fruit	I4 Cream chicken Ww Biscuit Mashed Potatoes Carrots & Peas Fruit
17 Chicken Patty w/ Mayo, pickles beets Broccoli Pudding/banana Ww Bun	ayo, pickles Beans Mashed Potatoes Fruit Salad Peas Fruit Ww Crackers Ww Roll Ww roll Fruit Fruit		Lasagna Green beans fruit	21 Pork Chop Mashed Potatoes Gravy Corn Ww roll fruit
24 Pinto Beans w/ham Kraut Apples Ww Cornbread Onions	25 Spaghetti & Meat/ tomato Sauce Onion and peppers Vegetables Fruit Ww Roll	26 Cook's Choice	27 Steam Vegetables Chicken and Ww Pasta Onions Fruit	28 Beef ww macaron w/ tomato sauce Coleslaw Peas & carrots Ww Cornbread fruit
3 I Fish Coleslaw w/ Carrots Ww roll fruit	Menu Subject To Change Without Notice	St. Tatrick's Dau	2% Milk and Margarine Served Daily	

A long memory trip on a short afternoon drive

By Gaylen Duskey

It was a world of "didn't that used to be."

My wife got her car tuned up the other day and she wanted me to go on a ride with her to see how it was running, and we drove out Route 7 to Stumptown and back and so many places on the way elicited memories.

Memories of businesses that once stood there and memories of people who lived there flooded my mind and it was difficult to imagine all the people who had passed away or moved away.

In so many of the houses the people who lived there before had passed away and nobody had come to live in the house. Not new owners, not the kids, not renters. No the houses stood as an empty reminder of what used to be in a part of the county that was vibrant.

The biggest closure of an old building was the NYA Building. It was built many decades ago by the National Youth Administration (where the name NYA Building came from) and had been active in the Calhoun community for a long time.

My first memories of the facility were as something of an adjunct the high school since the Red Devils basketball team played there before they build the gymnasium at the school itself.

But I remember the building most as the home of the Rubber Fabricators Inc., which provided employment for many people around there for several decades.

Businessmen Pete Zannoni, Rand Fleming and Bob Schnurr formed the rubber Fabricators Inc. and opened the business up in 1959 and was for a couple of decades the biggest employer in Calhoun County.

The company made various rubber items the most well known of which was the escape modules used during the early days of America's space program when the astronauts use to splash back down in the ocean.

They also made lots and lots of air mattresses.

The original RFI also had locations in Richwood and Union and after the fact some satellite facilities were established in Smithville, Elizabeth and at the mouth of Leaf Bank on Route 5 just outside Grantsville.

It was a mainstay of the area – much like a pharmaceutical plant near Annamoriah could be today – before selling out to BF Goodrich in 1972.

I worked at RFI for a short period of time before doing my military duty. I handled public relations and publications for the company and somewhere in some of my stuff I have a few of the brochures and advertisements I produced.

But what I remember most about RFI were the people including co-founders Pete Zannoni and Rand Fleming and their families. Bob Schnurr the other co-founder worked with the Richwood and Union facilities and lived down there.

I was a little younger than Butch and Julie Fleming, but I knew both of them. I was a little older than the Zanonni kids – John, Lisa and Pier – but I knew them pretty well since they lived a couple of houses away from the Grantsville News and my best friend in high school Newton Nichols.

But in Calhoun County while you remember the businesses you remember the people even more,

So the trip on Route 7 brought about thoughts of those who had passed away.

There were the houses and friends lived and there was the house where they raised Schnauzer pups.

Aead up the road is the place where I buy my tires and beyond that is where Jackie Robinson and her four lovely daughters – Debbie, Pam, Charlotte and Shara – lived.

When you get to Russett proper there is the old Levering's Store building. School teacher Dale Levering and his wife Maxine lived and raised five children Anthony Douglas, Dale Jr., Jeanne, Monica and Chris.

I know at the big curve at the top of Russett Hill there are two nice houses. One was where Calhoun County High School Principal Roy J. Stump lived and the other where State Road Supervisor Corel Poling lived.

I have no idea who lives there now.

At the bottom of the hill is the Sassafras Ridge Road and as a student in high school I used to ride out there with Jim Gainer when he drove to his house to get something while waiting on the basketball bus.

Ahead out the road was where Mike Fowler lived and the cliff where Harold Ullum died in a truck crash. There was where Stripe the dog lived

and where many, many years ago my friend Dennis Cain lived. Not far beyond that was where Hugert

Stump lived and had an an auto repair shop and used car sales.

Then there was the ultra-skinny house where shout 20 dogs lived all of which

Then there was the ultra-skinny house where about 20 dogs lived, all of which would come and chase your car. Not too far from there was the low water bridge across to Raccoon Run. Way back when it was Darky Fork and it was where some of the black population in the county lived.

I guess Raccoon Run is a little more politically correct.

Ahead up the road is where the late Donald Patrick McCartney lived. He was one of Calhoun's better teachers and most beloved people. He was also once heckuva singer.

From there is the county line and the village of Stumptown.

It was not a long trip, but it was a trip through my memories.

But that was yesterday and yesterday is gone.

AND THE HATE GOES ON: I posted a meme on the internet with a little girl talking to her mother.

The little girl asks, "What does DEI mean?"

And the mother answers Didn't Earn It."

And one of my liberal friends posts on

my meme: "Only a racist would agree with this, but we know all MAGA are racists and bigots." Getting through to the liberals out

there that MAGA people are not racists and bigots isn't going to be easy because they think we are stupid too.

They are having a hard time accepting

They are having a hard time accepting that the things President Trump said he would do and what he is doing will work because they are working.

We – the MAGA people – while thinking the liberals are not overly bright, we have not fallen into being hateful toward them and calling them names.

Hopefully our olive branch won't be swatted completely away.

NUMBERS GAME: I wrote the following recently concerning the Calhoun basketball team, when it had only one

senior for senior's night.

"It's tough when you only have nine players. It's tougher when you have players out because of illness or injury. It's tougher still when the sidelined player is a starter. And it's tougher still when some of the players you have get in foul trouble." It's been one of those years for the Red

Best of luck to the Calhoun teams in the playoffs.

And for all the spring teams getting ready to start their season remember that you are all unbeaten.

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

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.

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submitting. All submissions are sub-

ject to revision concerning writing me-

chanics, 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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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, Berea Gardens, Minnora. Wednesdays 4 p.m. - 6

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

To add your community service information to this listing email contact@calhounchronicle.com.



Contact: Stan Bumgardner • <u>bumgardner@wvhumanities.org</u> • 304-346-8500

Feb. 27, 1867: Marshall College (now university) was established as a normal school to train teachers. The first term began June 15, 1868, with 25 students enrolled in three departments.



Feb. 27, 1871: Summers County was established from segments of Fayette, Greenbrier, Mercer and Monroe counties. The county was named after George W. Summers, one of West Virginia's founders.

Feb. 27, 1871: The legislature approved an act incorporating the city of Huntington.



Feb. 28, 1831: Fayette County was formed by the General Assembly Virginia from parts of Kanawha, Nicholas, Greenbrier and Logan counties. The county was named for the Marquis de Lafayette, the French military officer who served under George Washington during the Revolutionary War.

Feb. 28, 1858: Mc-Dowell County, the southernmost county in West Virginia, was created from part of Tazewell County, Virginia. The new county was named after James McDowell, a governor of Virginia.



Feb. 28, 1875: Musician Edwin "Edden" Hammons was born in Pocahontas County. A subsistence farmer and hunter, he is remembered as one of West Virginia's finest traditional fiddlers.

Feb. 28, 1909: Athlete John Zontini was born.

Nicknamed the "Sheik of Seth" for his outstanding football career at Sherman High School in Boone County, he still holds state high school and Marshall University rushing records.



March 1, 1831: Jackson County was created from parts of Wood, Mason and Kanawha

counties and named in honor of Andrew Jackson, the seventh president.



March 1, 1870: The legislature passed an act to create a branch normal school at West Liberty. For the next 61 years, the school was a teacher preparatory institution. It is now a university.



March 1, 1898: Homer Adams Holt was born in Lewisburg. In 1937, he became West Virginia's 20th governor.



March 1, 2011: Sutton native Jorea Marple was sworn in as West Virginia's first female superintendent of schools.

March 2, 1840: The Virginia General Assembly granted a charter for Bethany College. From the beginning, it has been a four-year baccalaureatedegree college, the oldest such institution in West Virginia.



March 2, 1896: Clair Bee was born in Pennsboro. Bee was a successful, innovative college basketball coach widely published author

of both technical bas-



March 2, 1915: A blast swept through Layland No. 3 Mine in Fayette County, killing 114 men.

March 2, 1927: The West Virginia capitol building known as the "pasteboard capitol" was destroyed by fire. This wood-frame building in downtown Charleston had been built in just 42 days after the previous Victorian-style capitol building burned in 1921.

March 2, 1961: Governor Wally Barron signed legislation that granted Marshall College university status.

March 3, 1843: Barbour County was created from parts of Lewis, Harrison and Randolph counties and named for Virginia jurist Philip Pendleton Barbour.

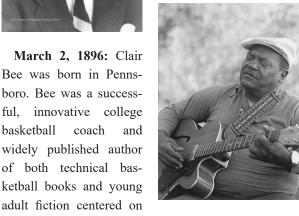


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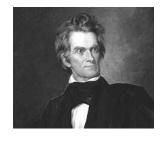
phis Tennessee Garrison was born in Virginia. She helped develop NAACP chapters in southern West Virginia and created the Christmas Seal Project.

March 4, 1849: Earl Williams Oglebay was born in Bridgeport, Ohio. He became one of Wheeling's most successful industrialists and generous benefactors.

March 4, 1893: Governor William MacCorkle gave his inaugural address in which he warned that West Virginia was "passing under the control of foreign and non-resident landowners."



March 4, 1924: Blues musician Nathaniel H. "Nat" Reese was born in Salem, Virginia. Growing up in Princeton, Reese learned and played blues, jazz, country and dance throughout the southern coalfields. He is a member of the West Virginia Music Hall of Fame.



March 5, 1856: Calhoun County was created from neighboring Gilmer County and named for John C. Calhoun, who served as vice president under John Quincy Adams and Andrew Jackson.

March 5, 1963: Country musician Hawkshaw Hawkins was killed in a plane crash in Tennessee, along with Patsy Cline, Cowboy Copas, and Randy Hughes. Hawkins was born in Huntington.



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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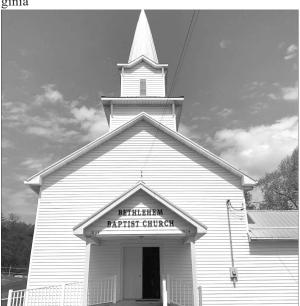
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Russett Road Grantsville, WV 26147 Pastor John Vannoy

First Baptist Church of Grantsville Pastor Ron Chesser

Associate Pastor Rick Godfrey

Sunday: 10:00 - Sunday school 11:00 - morning

Wednesday: 7:00 – Bible study Pastor Ron's cell: +1 (304) 786-6273 Home: (304)

477-3339

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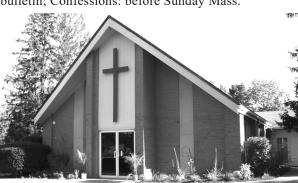
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Good Shepherd Catholic Church

701 Mineral Road, Glenville, WV.

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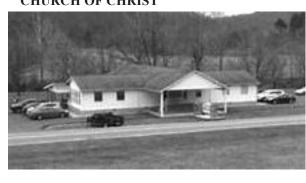


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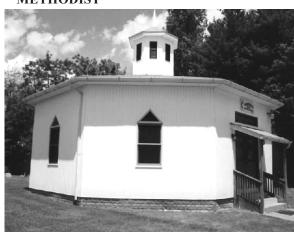
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Pastor, Rick Matheney

3757 N. Calhoun Highway, Grantsville, WV 26147. Full Gospel Lighthouse Church

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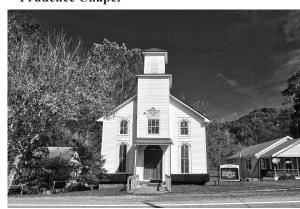
Pastor David Weaver, Sunday School 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am

Mt Zion United Methodist Church



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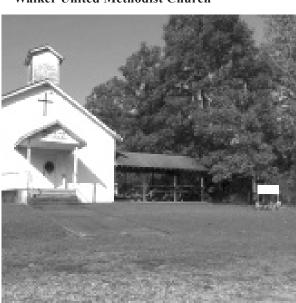
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Red Devils beat Clay, 57-51

On Tuesday, February 18, 2025, the Calhoun boys' varsity basketball team faced off against Clay County. The match saw both teams battling fiercely on the court before Calhoun took a 57-51

In the first quarter, Clay County took an early lead, scoring 15 points to Calhoun's 10. The Panthers opened the gap more in the second quarter with a 19-13 edge for a 34-23 halftime advantage.

The third quarter was a turning point for Calhoun. They outscored Clay County 19-8, bringing the game to a close contest. Entering the final quarter, Calhoun continued its momentum, scoring 15 points while holding Clay County to just 9.

Key players for Calhoun included Brennen Carpenter, who led the team with 21 points, and Cooper Morris, who contributed 13 points. Baron Davis, a freshman, added 9 points, showing promise for the future. Brayden Wood and Charter Cottrell also made significant contributions, scoring 7 points each.

Calhoun's team effort was evident in their statistics. It made 20 field goals out of 57 attempts, with a field goal percentage of 35%. They also excelled in free throws, making 12 out of 17 attempts, achieving a 71% free throw percentage. Their defense was strong, with 40 rebounds, 8 assists, 6 steals, and a block.

Clay County @ Calhoun

Boys Varsity Basketball Winter 24-25 · Tuesday, February 18, 2025

2/18 @ 7p	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Final
Calhoun	10	13	19	15	57
Clay County	15	19	8	9	51

Game Stats

<u>Calhoun</u>

Calhoun

#	Athlete Name	Min	<u>Pts</u>	FGM	FGA	FG%	PPS	AFG%
	Team Totals		57	20	57	35	1.0	39
0	Baron Davis (Fr)		9	4	16	25	0.6	28
2	Brennen Carpenter (So)		21	6	18	33	1.2	36
5	Brayden Wood (Sr)		7	3	5	60	1.4	70
11	Cooper Morris (So)		13	4	10	40	1.3	50
12	Charter Cottrell (So)		7	3	8	38	0.9	38

Calhoun

#	Athlete Name	Min	Pts	<u>3PM</u>	3PA	3P%	FTM	FTA	FT%	2FGM	2FGA	2FG%
	Team Totals		57	5	20	25	12	17	71	15	37	41
0	Baron Davis (Fr)		9	1	7	14	0	0	О	3	9	33
2	Brennen Carpenter (So)		21	1	4	25	8			5	14	36

St. Marys Dominates Calhoun 81-46

On Friday, February 21, 2025, St. Marys faced off against Calhoun in a Little Kanawha Conference (LKC) placement game. St. Marys deliver a commanding performance, ultimately defeating Calhoun with a final score of

81-46.

From the outset. St. Marys established their dominance, scoring 17 points in the first quarter compared to Calhoun's 14. The second quarter saw St. Marys extend their lead significantly, adding 25 points while Calhoun managed only 8. By halftime, St. Marys had built a substantial lead, and they continued to outpace Calhoun in the third and fourth quarters, scoring 21 and 18 points respectively. Calhoun, on the other hand, struggled to keep up, scoring 12 points in each of the final two quarters.

Individually, Brennen Carpenter (So) stood out for Calhoun, scoring 20 points and achieving a field goal percentage of 44%. Cooper Morris (So) also made a notable contribution with 11 points and a field goal percentage of 45%.

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St. Marys@Calhoun

Friday, February 21, 2025

2/21 @ 7:30p	Q1	Q2	QЗ	Q4	Final	
St. Marys	17	25	21	18	81	
<u>Calhoun</u>	14	8	12	12	46	

Game Stats

Calhoun

#	Athlete Name	Min	<u>Pts</u>	FGM	FGA	FG%	PPS	AFG%
	Team Totals		46	18	54	33	0.9	37
2	Brennen Carpenter (So)		20	8	18	44	1.1	50
5	Brayden Wood (Sr)		3	О	3	О	1.0	О
10	Hoyt Helmick (Fr)		О	О	1	О	0.0	О
11	Cooper Morris (So)		11	5	11	45	1.0	50
12	Charter Cottrell (So)		3	1	11	9	0.3	14
15	Ethan Harris (Fr)		2	1	2	50	1.0	50
20	Gavin Hicks (Fr)		7	3	7	43	1.0	43
42	Garrett Carpenter (So)		О	О	1	О	0.0	0

Calhoun

#	Athlete Name	Min	<u>Pts</u>	OReb	DReb	Reb	Ast	Stl	Blk	TO	<u>PF</u>
	Team Totals		46	13	17	30	11	4	1	19	

Calhoun 10th at regional meet

At the AA-A Region IV Championships held on February 21, 2025, Calhoun County had a notable

Reese Schoolcraft from Calhoun County emerged as the champion in the 106 weight category, boasting an impressive record of 42-7.

Lance Grogg, another wrestler from Calhoun County, secured the 6th place in the 120 weight category with a record of 19-24. In the 165 weight category, Haiden Staton from Calhoun County finished

in 5th place with a record of 26-10. Nic Butler, representing Calhoun County in the 175 weight category, also achieved a 6th place finish with a record of 29-17.

AA-A Region IV Championships Feb 21, 2025 PlaceScoreName 1st 2nd3rd4th 5th 6th

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- 2 248.50Williamstown 3 4 1 3 1 1 3 190.50Ripley 3 5 1
- 4 148.50Ravenswood 1 2 4 2 5 92.50 Chapmanville Regional 2 3
- 6 88.00 Wirt County 2 3
- 7 85.00 Poca 1 1 2 3 8 84.00 Wahama 1 2 1 1
- 9 78.00 Logan 1 1 1 1 2
- 10 62.00 Calhoun County 1 1 2
- 11 51.50 Sissonville 1 1
- 14 20.00 Buffalo 1

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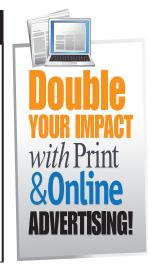
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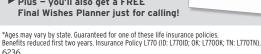
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West Virginia hunters harvest 111,646 deer during 2024–2025 seasons

The West Virginia Division of Natural Resources (WVDNR) announced that hunters harvested 111,646 deer during the 2024-2025 seasons, which is a two percent increase over the previous year's harvest of 109,246 and 1 percent above the five-year average of 110,296. According to preliminary numbers, hunters harvested 41,435 bucks during the traditional buck firearm season, 33,057 antlerless deer during all antlerless firearm hunting opportunities, 32,240 deer during the urban and regular archery/ crossbow seasons, 4,173 deer during the muzzleloader season and 741 deer during the Mountaineer Heritage season. "This year's encouraging increase in deer harvests highlights the dedication of West Virginia's hunters and the incredible opportunities our state offers for outdoor recreation," said WVDNR Director Brett McMillion. "Deer hunting not only allows hunters to experience the beauty

of West Virginia's great outdoors but also plays a vital role in managing our natural resources and ensuring healthy wildlife populations for generations to come."

Antlerless Deer Season Hunters harvested 33,057 deer during the 2024 antlerless deer season, which includes the youth, class Q and class XS deer season. This total represents a 14 percent increase compared to 2023 and is 9 percent above the five-year average of 30,464. The top ten counties for antlerless deer harvests were: Preston (1,657), Jackson (1,321), Mason (1,298), Lewis (1,262), Wood (1,242), Upshur (1,203), Ritchie (1,129), Randolph (1,101), Monroe (998) and Roane (925).

Muzzleloader Deer Season Hunters harvested 4,173 deer during the 2024 muzzleloader season, which was 8 percent less than the 2023 harvest of 4,521 and 5 percent below the five-year average of 4,404. The muzzleloader deer season harvest does not include the deer taken with side lock and flintlock muzzleloaders during the Mountaineer Heritage season. The top ten counties for muzzleloader deer harvests were: Nicholas (207), Randolph (206), Preston (171), Upshur (150), Greenbrier (145), Wood (129) Barbour (119), Ritchie (116), Jackson (114) and Mason and Webster (110).

Archery and Crossbow Deer Season Hunters harvested 32,240 deer during the 2024 archery and crossbow season — 12,920 with bows and 19,320 deer with crossbows. The 2024 harvest was a 6 percent increase over the 2023 harvest of 30,287, and a 2 percent increase over the five-year average of 31,527. The archery and crossbow harvest does not include deer taken with recurves or longbows during the Mountaineer Heritage season. The top ten counties for archery and crossbow deer harvests were: Preston (1,503), Randolph (1,144), Raleigh (1,136), Kanawha (1,099), Wood (1,044), Jackson (949), Wyoming (944), Mason (922), Upshur (873) and Fayette (872).

Regulations **Public** Meetings Hunters are reminded that in-person public meetings on proposed hunting regulations will be held on March 10 from 6-8 p.m. in Beckley, Buckhannon, Cairo, Farmington, Martinsburg and Milton, and on March 11 in Moorefield, Lewisburg, Logan, Parkersburg, Summersville and Triadelphia. Hunters are encouraged to attend and submit comments on proposed regulation changes, which will be made available at WVdnr.gov later in February.

For more information about hunting in West Virginia and to purchase a 2025 license and stamps, visit WVdnr.gov.

In the 2024–2025 hunting season

Hunters in Calhoun County successfully harvested a total of 530 bucks during the firearms season. The antlerless deer harvest was also notable, with 569 deer taken. Muzzleloader enthusiasts contributed to the total with 54 deer harvested. Archery and crossbow hunters added 263 deer to the count. Finally, the Mountaineer Heritage season saw nine deer harvested.

Overall, Calhoun County's total deer harvest for the season reached 1,425, reflecting a productive and engaging hunting season for local hunters.

West Virginia Deer Harvests 2024-2025 Seasons County Buck Firearms Antlerless Muzzleloader Archery/ Crossbow Mountaineer Heritage Total WVDNR District 1 Barbour 780 859 119 651 21 2,430 Brooke 302 315 31 337 6 991 Hancock 236 162 30 462 10 900 Harrison 769 622 75 590 23 2,079 Marion 578 585 55 479 7 1,704 Marshall 650 467 79 393 6 1,595 Monongalia 608 626 60 819 19 2,132 Ohio 288 273 28 274 10 873 Preston 1,565 1,657 171 1,503 47 4,943 Taylor 396 440 46 310 19 1,211 Tucker 763 419 72 470 4 1,728 Wetzel 773 554 85 382 8 1,802 D1 Subtotal 7,708 6,979 851 6,670 180

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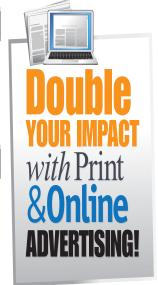
Calhoun Board of Education will be holding a public hearing for Levy Rates for FY25-26 on Monday, March 10, 2025 to determine Levy Rates and again on Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. to Lay the Levy at the Calhoun County Board of Education Central Office.

Public Hearing

Regarding the 2025-26 School Calendar The first of two public hearings regarding the 2025-26 School Cal-

endar for Calhoun County Schools will be held Monday, March 10, 2025, at 5:30 p.m., at the Calhoun Board of Education office. The second public hearing regarding the 2025-26 School Calendar

for Calhoun County Schools will be held on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, 5:30 p.m., at the Calhoun County Board of Education office.



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Grantsville Municipal, WV3300701

Our water system violated drinking water monitoring requirements within the past year(s). Even though these were not emergencies, you, as our customers, have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct

We are required to monitor your drinking water on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During periods listed in the table below, we did not monitor or test as required and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time. Also, test results show that our system exceeded the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) for Total Trihalomethanes and Haloacetic Acids.

What should I do?

You do not need to use an alternative (e.g. bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns,

it is recommended that you consult with your doctor.

This is not an immediate rick. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, some people who drink water containing Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) and/or Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) in excess of the MCL over many years may have an in creased rick of getting cancer.

The table below lists the monitoring we did not conduct, the type of sammples we are supposed to take, and when the samples should have been taken.

Required Monitoring	FedRep ID	Required Reporting	Compliance Period
VIOLATION: 2	30186	MCL, AVERAGE	3/1/1986 to 3/31/1986
	30086	MCL. AVERAGE	2/1/1986 to 2/28/1986
VIOLATION: 3	540863	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024
	540864	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024
	540865	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024
	540866	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024
	540867	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024
	540868	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024
	540869	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024
	540870	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024
	540871	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024
	540872	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024
	540873	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024
	540809	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/2010 to 12/31/2010
	19084	MONITORING, ROUTINE MAJOR	1/1/1984 to 3/31/1984
VIOLATION: 27	540861	MONITORING, ROUTINE (DBP), MAJOR	5/1/2024 to 5/31/2024
VIOLATION: 36	540860	MONITORING, RTN/RPT MAJOR (SWTR-FILTER)	5/1/2024 to 5/31/2024
	540856	MONITORING, RTN/RPT MAJOR (SWTR-FILTER)	3/1/2024 to 3/31/2024
VIOLATION: 38	540857	MONITORING, ROUTINE (IESWTR/LT1), MINOR	3/1/2024 to 3/31/2024
	540858	MONITORING, ROUTINE (IESWTR/LT1), MAJOR	3/1/2024 to 3/31/2024
VIOLATION: 41	36095	RES DISINFECT CONCENTRATION (SWTR)	7/1/1993 to 7/31/1993
VIOLATION: WB	540859	FAILURE TO COMPLETE OR SUBMIT MOR	5/1/2024 to 5/31/2024
	540855	FAILURE TO COMPLETE OR SUBMIT MOR	3/1/2024 to 3/31/2024
VIOLATION: WL	540810	CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL PROGRAM	9/1/2011
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What happened? What is being done? (Describe corrective action) Violations occurred during previous Operator. The water system will strictly adhere to the monitoring sched-

ule to meet all regulations. The water system is working with WV RCAP to meet all requirements concerning Cross-Connection Program.

For more information, please contact Chad Dennen at 304-354-7316 or P.O. Box 146, Grantsville, WV 26147. Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Date Distributed: 2/28/2025

This Notice is being sent to you by: **Grantsville Municipal** State Water System ID #: WV3300701

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CHARLESTON - The Public Service

Commission of West Virginia approved

a consolidation of services for three west

central West Virginia water districts that

The Commission approved the cen-

tralization of services of Grantsville

Municipal Water Department, which has

295 customers; Mt. Zion Public Service

District, which has 467 customers; and

Pleasant Hill Public Service District,

serve nearly 1,450 customers.

which has 687 customers.

Fusion of services for three

Calhoun water districts

based in Big Bend. Under the agreement, Grantsville assumes operation and maintenance service for all three, including bookkeep-

The three will share fixed costs, including the hiring of a general manager who will be responsible for overall man agement of the three systems.

The agreement is for one year with an

option of additional renewals. More information on this case can be found on the PSC website: www.psc. state.wv.us. Click on "Case Information" and access Case No. 24-0862-W-PWD-PC.

vember 4, 2024, to enter into the agreement with Mt. Zion, which is based in Grantsville, and Pleasant Hill, which is

Grantsville filed the petition on No-

WIC program available in Calhoun

The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Nutrition Program is a supplemental food program for pregnant, post-partum, or breastfeeding women, infants, and children up to the age of five. WIC provides food, breastfeeding support and nutrition education to families in Calhoun County. To apply for the WIC Program or to receive more information call our local office at 304-354-6898 or our main office in Parkersburg at

304-428-3688. The Calhoun County WIC Clinic is located at 300 Mill Street, Grantsville and is open every Wednesday in March from 8:00AM-4:00PM. Hours may be subject to change.

Trappers Association to meet

The West Virginia Trappers Association will hold their annual Spring Fur Auction and Rendezvous, February 28, March 1-2, 2025 at the Gilmer County Recreation Center 1365 Sycamore Run Road Glenville.

Vendors will be present throughout the weekend. Consignment for finished fur begins Friday, February 28th at 9AM and also on Saturday, March

1st. at 9AM.

Fur auction will be Sunday, March 2nd at 1PM. The Board of Directors meeting will be Thursday, February 27th, at 7PM.

Free admission, and everyone is welcome to attend.

For more information, Contact Jeremiah Whitlatch at 304-916-3329 or see our Facebook page under West Virginia Trappers Association or log onto WV Trappers Association

Little Kanawha Valley Christian School Honors Students for Their Term 2 Efforts



ards, Olivia Fitzwater, Eli Ferrell







The Little Kanawha Valley Christian School had a tremendous number of students who excelled in one area or another in academics, character, efforts, and leadership during the second term of the school year. Special honors were:

Students of Term 2: Owen Starcher, Kaelene Kerby, Aubry Richards, Olivia Fitzwater, Eli Ferrell

Top-of-the-Class (4.0-4.0+ GPA): Asher

Starcher, Ryett Bunner, Caroline Williams, Ashlynn Ritchie, Olivia Fitzwater, Kendra Davis, Bayleigh Carper, Samuel Snider, Brodyn Rowe

Honor List (3.5-3.99 GPA): Caroline Walker, Harrison Barr, Abigail Áyers, Wyatt Carpenter, Landon Fitzwater, Alexis Blair, Kaelene Kerby, John Martin

Merit List (3.25-3.49 GPA): Jackson Snider, Laken Bracewell, Alex Bracewell,

Callie Gibson, Owen Starcher, Isaac Kinder, Wyatt Yoak, Kylynn Keith

Top Science Students: Wyatt Yoak, Samuel Snider, and Brooklynn Stewart

Top Bible Scholars: Ashlynn Ritchie, Kendra Davis, Bayleigh Carper, Olivia Fitzwater, and Samuel Snider

Top Warrior: Mackenzie McCumbers Best in Keyboarding: Braidin Ferrell Best in Penmanship: Abigail McCumbers, Alexis Blair, and Caroline Williams Top Speller: Asher Starcher

Top Historians: Eli Kinder, Brodyn Rowe,

Wyatt Yoak, and Kylynn Keith

Best in Math: Holden Gibson, Alex Bracewell, Wyatt Carpenter, Olivia Fitzwater, Samuel Snider, Eli Kinder

Top Readers: Caroline Walker, Carline Williams, John Martin; Back row, Kaelene Kerby

